

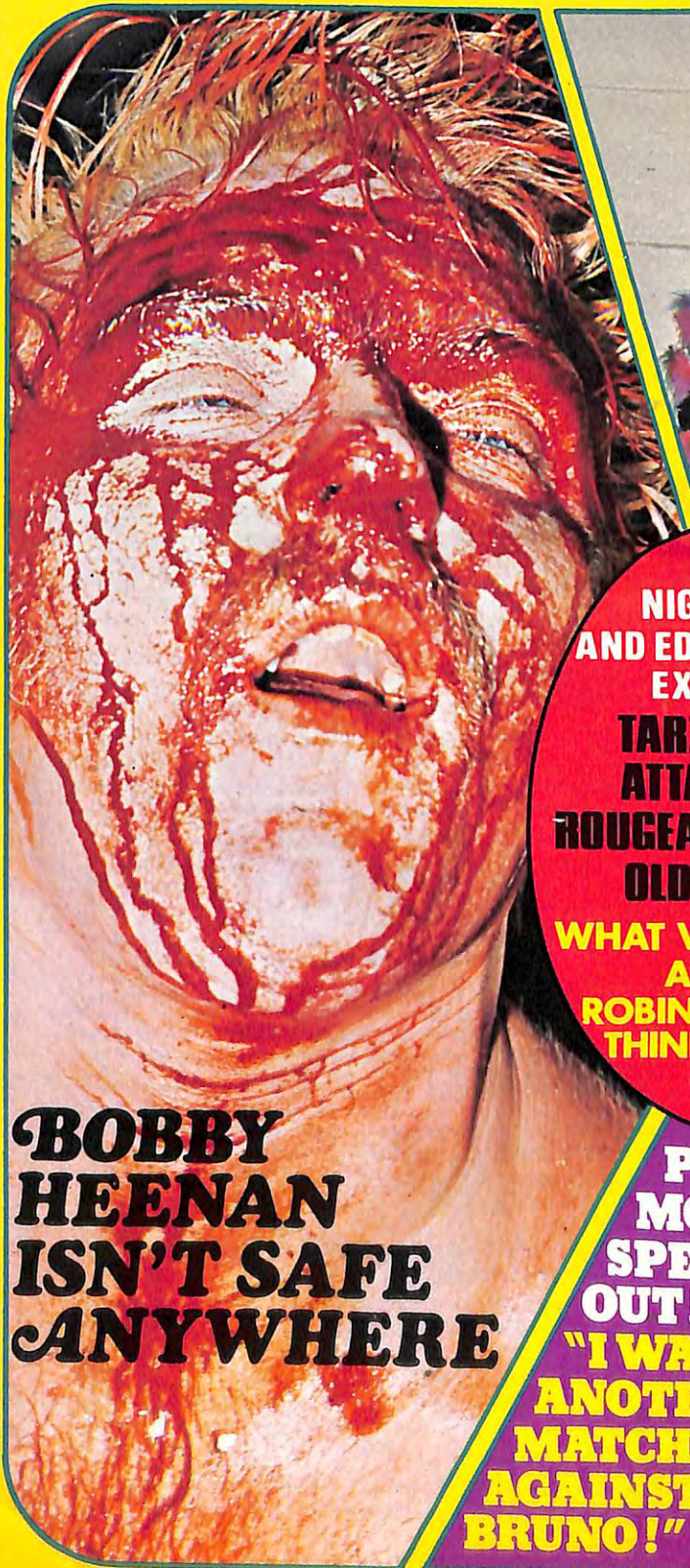
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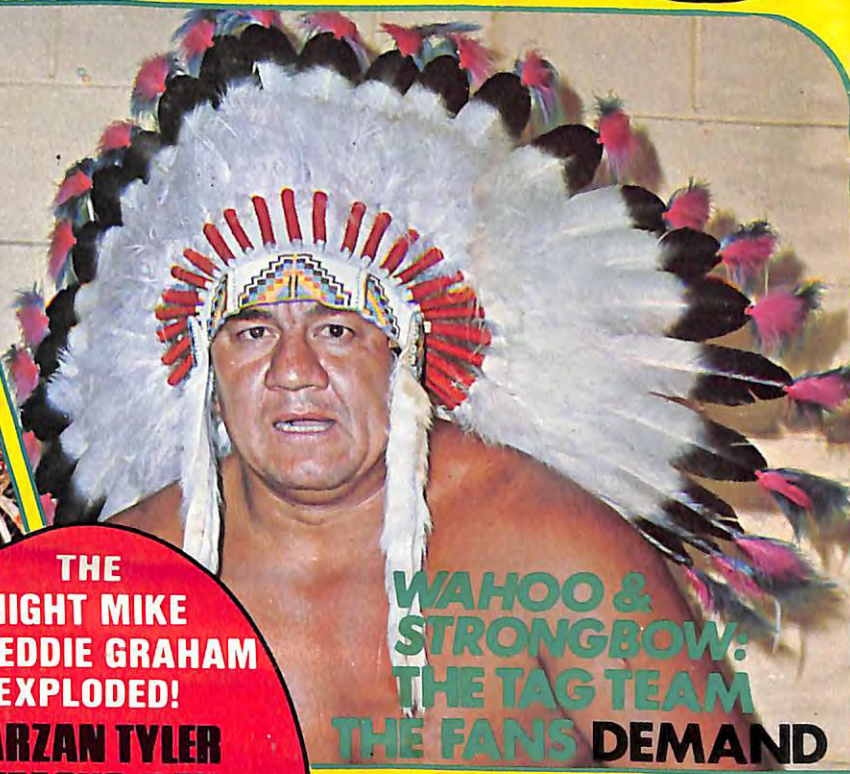
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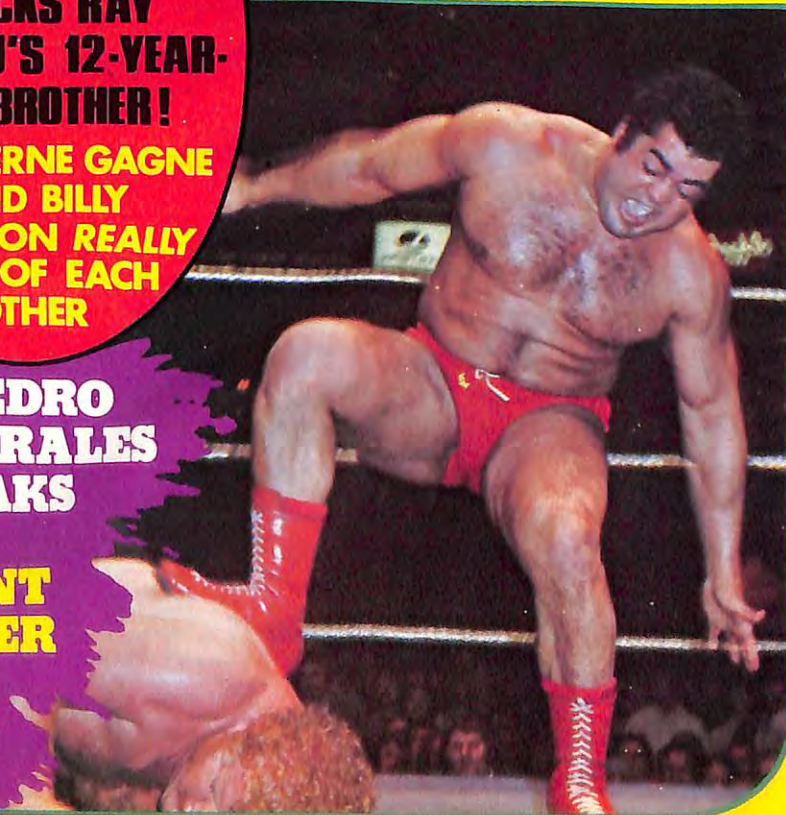
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# HOW ALMOST ANYONE CAN PROFIT FROM INFLATION, RECESSIONS, AND DEPRESSIONS

THE 1930's GREAT DEPRESSION

Welcome aboard! The fact that you are going to read this article means there is a good chance you will proceed with its advice. Proceeding with the advice in the article means that you may be among the few who will not only avoid financial disaster, but, become very wealthy during the coming depression. You don't have to be rich or know anything about finance to take advantage of this advice.

The advice in this article comes from Harry Browne. Harry Browne is considered one of the top financial advisors in the country today. If you would have taken his advice in 1970, you would already be substantially wealthier. Your investments would have brought you a 300% to 400% return. But take heart. There is still much more to be made. In fact, the best is yet to come.

Harry Browne not only predicted the 1972 devaluation of the dollar two years before it happened, he predicted exactly how it would occur, what signs there would be just before it occurred and exactly what the government would do and say. Harry Browne is now predicting a depression more severe than the Great Depression of the 1930's.

You're saying to yourself, "How can this be? The country is depression proof!"

Well, let's examine the facts. Experts are saying: Depressions have been legislated out of existence. Economic cycles are a way of



Harry Browne, pictured above speaking at Carnegie Hall, is considered the top financial expert in the nation. It would cost you \$2500.00 to attend a four hour private consultation. This article will tell you how to get exactly the same information given in these consultations for less than \$10.

life in any nation that uses inflation to finance the growth of government. A look at the nation indicates a prosperous America. Inflation is a problem but, there are more people working than ever before. Steel production is at 90% capacity. Other industries are setting new production records. There are more products and services available. The president has said there absolutely will not be a depression. The Federal Reserve System has a host of powers with which to control the economy. In addition, there is an intricate structure of governmental programs to undergrid the economy: public works, highway construction, farm programs, anti-monopoly controls, taxing policies, stock market regulation and a multitude of other federal powers. Gold is leaving the treasury, but the nation's currency is backed by our great productive strength, not by a yellow metal. No wonder the experts are saying that our government is now capable of creating permanent prosperity.

Now don't you feel secure? If you do, you had better go back and re-read the foregoing passage. Because, **EVERY WORD IN THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH CAME FROM NEWS ITEMS - NOT OF THE PRESENT DAY AMERICA - BUT, OF AMERICA JUST BEFORE THE 1929 CRASH!**

What does it mean to be one of the many losers during a depression? It is a horrifying experience! People who have lived thru the 1930's Great Depression are not petrified of depressions without good reason. Here is what it will be like during the depression for the average family.

You will quickly lose your house, car, savings and major possessions. Don't believe that hogwash that banks will not foreclose mortgages during hard times. They will! "Depres-



MANY LOST....

sion Camps" consisting of thrown-together shacks will spring up in vacant slum areas. You will have no money. You won't have water, sewer, gas or electricity. Heating will be done by pot belly stoves that barely provide enough heat. For food you will eat things like dandelions to try to make-up for the sparse rations you get on bread lines. You and your children will go to bed cold and hungry. There will be no shoes for the kids and few clothes. Sounds like a made-up horror story? Ask someone who lived thru it. It is not uncommon to hear of tales like having one shirt for four kids or going without food for several days in a row. Harsh as it may seem, these are cold, hard facts.

What causes depressions? The answer is one word. **GOVERNMENT.**

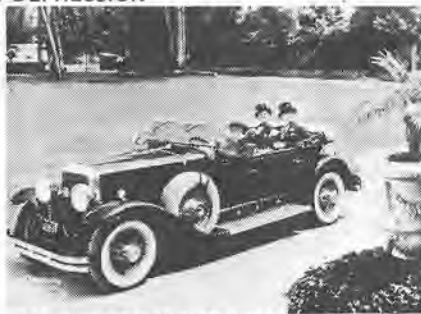
Depressions are not caused by unions, stock market speculation, by unregulated free enterprise, by gold speculations, by greedy profiteers, by shortages of demand, by capitalism nor by lack of confidence. Depressions are caused by the government's inflationary printing of money and supplementation of industries which produce products people do not want, but, rather what the government thinks they should have.

Governments without exception are inefficient and incompetent. Federal programs such as social security, etc., are always disasters. There has never been and never will be a problem that will be solved by a government. People think they need government to give them something they can't get on their own. The truth is, however, the government always takes much and gives you back little. The more government there is, the less prosperity.

Because governments are inefficient they cannot operate and expand on existing tax money. They, therefore, turn on the printing presses and make unsecured money—money not backed by gold or silver. They rendered no goods or services to obtain their money. This produces a situation where there is now more money and less goods. Prices are determined by dividing the existing amount of goods into the existing amount of money. Prices are bid up out of sight with the extra unsecured money in circulation. Prices are also bid upward by wages paid by government supported industries who provide no marketable goods or services. Therefore, we have, again, money being dumped on the market, but, no goods or services.

The General Market consists of all market transactions that take place in the country. In other words all buying and selling. If left a-

lone, it is a beautiful self-governing, self regulating system. No government can really control it. When the government tries, the General Market always catches up and wins the struggle with government. The liquidation period of the unsecured money and unwanted industries is called a recession. Depressions are severe recessions prolonged by the



....BUT FEW PEOPLE KNOW MANY GAINED

fact that the government intervenes and tries in vain to prevent the inevitable liquidation.

However, here's the good news. You are not helpless against this situation. There is something you can do to avoid financial ruin and pick up a tidy profit at the same time.

What is it? You can join the ranks of the many people who use the financial programs of Harry Browne. These people have not only become wealthy, but, their wealth is protected from inflation, recessions and depressions. In everyday, simple language Harry Browne will reveal to you:

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- \* If you now have your money in savings accounts, stocks, bonds, dollars or other related investments, you're in big trouble.
- \* How to raise cash to invest if you don't have it now.
- \* What, where and how to invest to get 300% to 400% and probably much more return on your money with complete safety. Step by step instructions tell you where to go, what to do, who to talk to and what to say.
- \* The timing of investments. What to invest in depending on the economic state.
- \* How to find and set up a retreat for the coming depression, because, the next depression will be a violent one with riots and chaos.

You can get the above information in several ways. You can attend one of Harry Browne's 4 hour private consultations which would cost you \$2500.00. Or, you can get his latest book, **YOU CAN PROFIT FROM A MONETARY CRISIS**, which contains exactly the same information given in his seminars, thru a special reader's offer below. The book takes only several hours to read and the investment advice is simple and easy to start. It took me all of ten minutes to start my program and I did it all by phone without leaving my house.

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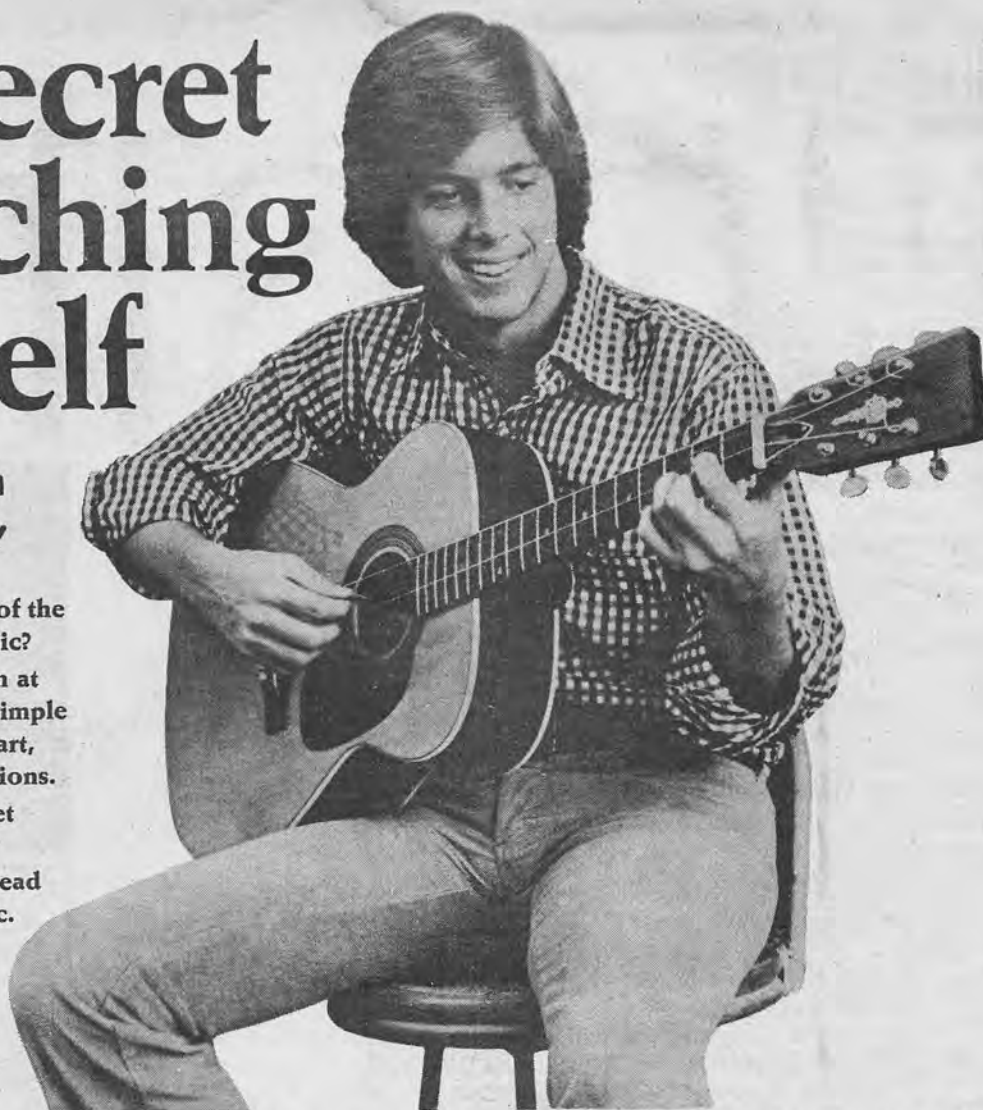
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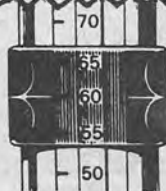
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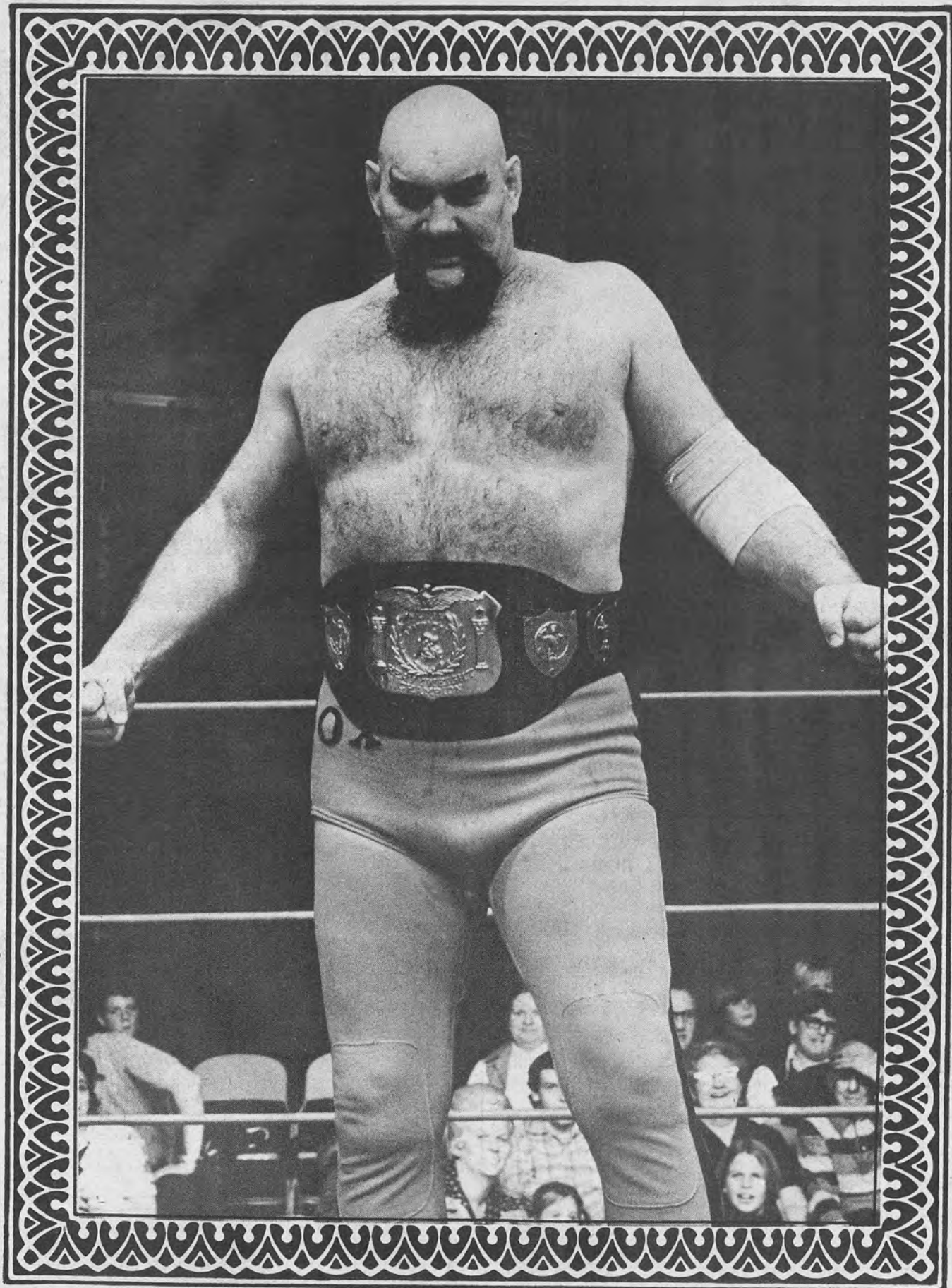
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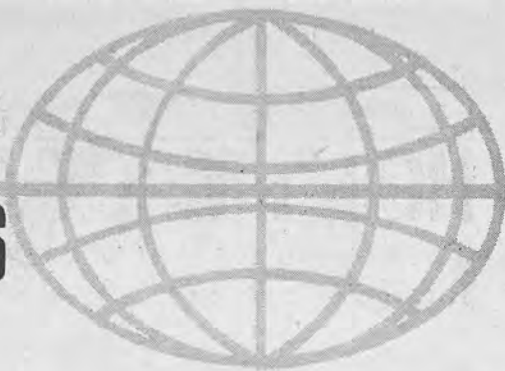
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# NEWS FROM THE WRESTLING CAPITALS



*Fabulous Moolah (above) remains the women's wrestling champion. The Valiant Brothers (below) also retained their W.W.W.F. tag team title against a determined bid by ex-champions Tony Garea and Dean Ho. It took all of the treachery of their manager, Lou Albano, however, for the pair to prevent Garea and Ho from regaining their former championship.*



## NEW YORK NEWS

By Bill Lewis

**R**EVENGE. THAT'S WHAT was on the minds of Bruno Sammartino and Bobby Duncum as they clashed in a second battle, a Texas Death Match, at

New York's Madison Square Garden. Their first bout was halted when both wrestlers were bleeding too profusely to continue.

Duncum started things off early by attacking Bruno before the bell. This infuriated the champion. As soon as Bruno regained his composure and got the ad-

vantage, Duncum was as good as gone!

Bruno smashed away at Duncum until he turned the man from Texas into a bloody mess. Finally, Duncum tried a few dirtier tactics as a last resort. But the sly Sammartino took them in stride and finished off the challenger, thus retaining his coveted title.

The women's world title was at stake as Fabulous Moolah put her championship on the line against perky Joyce Grable.

Joyce put up a tremendous struggle. It looked like the title would change hands. And when Moolah got that idea, she went out of her way to foul Joyce every way she possibly could until Joyce was finished.

Tony Garea and Dean Ho failed in their attempt to win the W.W.W.F. tag team belts back from Jim and John Valiant, managed by Captain Lou Albano.

The popular Garea and Ho copped the first fall in less than two minutes. But the Valiants evened things and then won the final fall with their foul methods.

In one of their last tag team matches as partners, Chief Strongbow and Spiros Arion scored an impressive victory over The Butcher and Hans Shroeder.

## MISSOURI MADNESS

By Curt Melchior

In St. Louis, promoter Sam Muchnick put a great card together. A six man tag team match and a battle royal topped the program.

The six man tag pitted Black Angus, Bobo Brazil and Bruiser against Roger Kirby, Buddy Wolff and Big Bill Miller. The action was furious with all six wrestlers mixing it up at times. The end finally came when Bruiser atomic dropped Wolff and Buddy was unable to continue.

Lord Al Hays tried to take the Missouri title from Dory Funk Jr. The champ was in charge early in the match.

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# HOW I MADE A MILLION AT THE TRACK

The true story of Jimmy Davis, gambling pro who discovered the first proven method for winning at the track—INVESTMENT WAGERING As told to Ken Martin

*My interview revealed a fascinating—and highly successful individual. Jimmy D's story gives inspiration to millions!*

Until 12 years ago I was one of the country's biggest Welsh gypsy "high rollers." I won big, lost big, went from rags to riches bet after bet. Then I discovered a method so fantastic, my winnings speak for themselves. Since I began investment wagering I've won an average one-half million dollars each year for the last 12 years at the track. What's more... it's so simple, I could teach investment wagering to you—in a short time!

Back in the old days, I had a ball! Loud clothes, flashy jewelry, gorgeous gals. What a life! I played every racetrack you could name. And I knew them all; the big stars, famous gamblers, names that still set your ears on fire! One thing about us high rollers—you could always trust another to come through when the chips were down. And believe me... when you gamble high and lose—you're really broke.



"Jimmy (King of the Hill) Davis, a colorful character from Atlanta who has become a millionaire through supremely judicious and intelligent wagering, was back at Miami race tracks last week." *The Miami News* May 14, 1974

So it was inevitable. I got tired of always being days away from my next loan. Win or lose, I had a family to support. My kids got older, needed more. Those high roller days started losing their spell.

But 12 years ago—lucky for me—things dramatically changed! I combined my 40 years racing experience and the secrets the pros leaked out, with the smarts of an old college friend. Our two brains... his computer... a couple of years testing... and I knew I had it. The method of betting that's made me a multimillionaire. The one I call investment wagering.

## FANTASTIC WINNINGS YEAR AFTER YEAR

*For the past 10 years I've averaged \$450,000-\$600,000 a year by investment wagering. Just look at some of my winnings:*

- In Gulfstream, during the last year of the twin doubles, I won the International Twin Double Handicap Championship by hitting 9 twin doubles in 23 days, for a grand total of \$387,000.
- At the Kentucky Derby I won \$212,000 on a single race (Northern Dancer).

• On March 31, 1973 I won at Aqueduct with *Passen Mood* (\$55 to win) in the fourth. With investment wagering this winner practically hit me between the eyes—it was that obvious.

• On Feb. 9, 1973 at Santa Anita with *Silver Salute* paying \$127 to win, \$25 to place and \$10.60 to show, I got \$1855 on a \$5 exacto (the favorite, *Fleet Trader* paid \$0.00 to win, \$3.20 place, \$1.60 show).

## WHAT IS INVESTMENT WAGERING?

The first proven method that works at the track... any track, any time. You're actually investing your money like a financial manager. Only the profits are greater. And your money can be safer than in stocks. What's more, you bet what you want... earn as much as you need... week in, week out. What you make depends on how much you can bet. (This is a progressive method—based on best bets. But the best bets I mean are MY bets, not somebody else's.) I have two main methods... for two kinds of action.

### #1 FOR LIFETIME INCOME

That's for guys like me—retired or ready to retire (whether you're 25 or 65) who want to make a living at the track. You get a constant 36% profit on your betting investment... every week. Plus lots of action—7 horses every 2 days. And it's simple!

In fact, the beauty of this system is its simplicity. A good friend of mine said, "Sure it works for you, but an amateur would lose his shirt." So I sent this man's brother to Gulfstream last winter—with \$5,000 and my method. He'd never bet on a horse in his life. He left Miami with \$9,300—a profit of 86%. You get my point?

But #1 is no giveaway method. You have to spend some time—getting it down pat. Believe me—it's worth the time. From then on you'll need 1 minute a race to make whatever you want.

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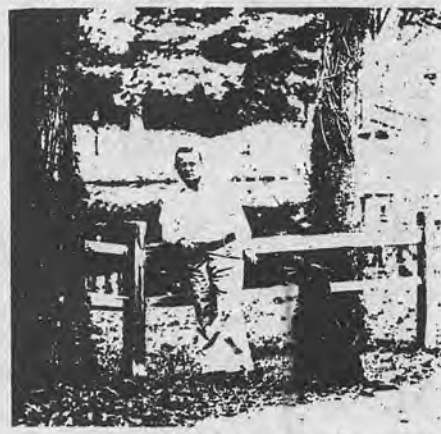
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## INVESTMENT WAGERING'S YOUR ONE SURE BET!

I've seen too many guys lose their shirts on systems they thought would win. That's why I'm offering my investment wagering to you—to show up all those other so-called "winning systems." You can prove my methods are winners—before you bet a cent!

I'll take you by the hand (like a newborn babe) and show you—step by step—how to use both methods. Play them on paper for a week or two—check them out before you make a bet. You must average 36% return. Or else, return my methods and I'll refund your money in full.

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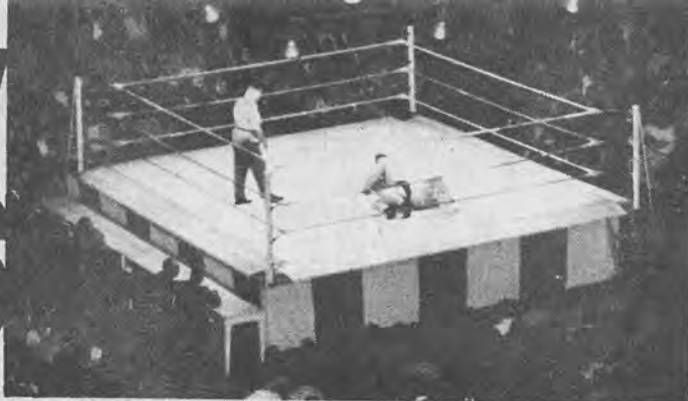
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## HAIL TO THE VALIANTS

I think the Valiants and Captain Lou Albano are the greatest! The facts speak for themselves.

John and Jim Valiant, under the guidance of Bobby Heenan, defeated Bruno and Crusher, two of the strongest men in wrestling. Under Albano they defeated Dean Ho and Tony Garea for the W.W.W.F. tag team championship. Now they've retained the belt against teams like Bruno and Strongbow, Calhoun and Zbyszko, and others just as good.

As for Captain Lou Albano, he is the greatest manager in wrestling! Look at all the champions he's managed.

FRANK CROPPER  
Riverside, R.I.

## NOT THE TRUE CHAMPS

How can you honestly say Bruno Sammartino and Chief Jay Strongbow didn't win the title?

In the first story (THE WRESTLER/December 1975), look what Bruno and Strongbow did to the Valiants! If it wasn't for a time limit

the Valiants would have been murdered. Now that I've read the article, "If Bruno and Chief Jay Strongbow Can't Win The Title From The Valiants, Who Can?" (THE WRESTLER/January 1975), the Valiants were absolutely no competition for the Chief and Bruno.



*It's easy to be awed by Sue Green's beauty (above). It is equally easy to hate the Valiant brothers (below) for their illegal tactics and cruel maneuvers which leave men crippled!*



As far as I'm concerned the Valiants are no champions!

KEVIN WERBEL  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

## SUPER SUE

Sue Green is one of the greatest and sexiest girl wrestlers in the sport today. There is no doubt she's a future champion.

In just a few years Sue has come to the top and she'll stay there. I never miss a story on Sue and the last two features on her in THE WRESTLER and INSIDE WRESTLING are the best on any newsstand anywhere. Remember, right on to professional wrestling!

BILL LEWIS  
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## DESERVED RECOGNITION

All too often people tend to forget the importance of what occurs in the dressing room prior to and after a match. Again, your excellent feature article, "Dressing Room Drama" (INSIDE WRESTLING/January 1975) points out how much of what goes on in the dressing room affects a bout.

I'm so glad your magazine isn't satisfied with just reporting what happens during a match, but insists on reporting the *full* story no matter where or when it happens. Those of us who really appreciate wrestling admire your magazines greatly.

MARVIN KRUTZ  
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## COWARDS AS WELL

I've always despised Ray Stevens and Nick Bockwinkel for their sleazy and illegal tactics. However, after reading their outrageous remarks in the article, "Shed No Tears For Bockwinkel And Stevens" (INSIDE WRESTLING/January 1975), I realize no punishment is too great for these guys!

What the hell is wrong with them, anyway? Aren't they men enough

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# if you ever wanted to win at the track ...now you can

by Paul Fletcher

For some time, I've been looking for someone who knows what it's all about and is consistently beating the races.

All I found was the know-nothings eager to sell their "knowledge" and those truly knowing who wouldn't part with it.

It looked near impossible until I met Dr. Donald Sullivan and I'm going to tell you some interesting things about him that can affect your life.

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I was not the first to recognize the talents of Don Sullivan.

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When CBS-TV News heard of this, they filmed a class and challenged Don to handicap the 6th race.

It appeared almost unreal and staged as Don not only picked the winner at 10-1, but also the next 3 horses.

The announcer felt compelled to warn unbelieving fans that no one could pick winners like that all the time.

Maybe not....but Don sure does come close.

To those who feel that one making money playing the horses would never part with his know-how, I say to you Don Sullivan is the living exception.

He's got the races beaten out of the frame, yet is willing to share his findings! Why?

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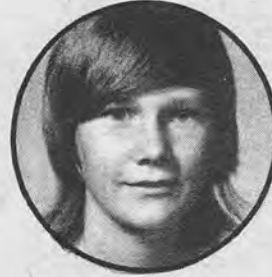
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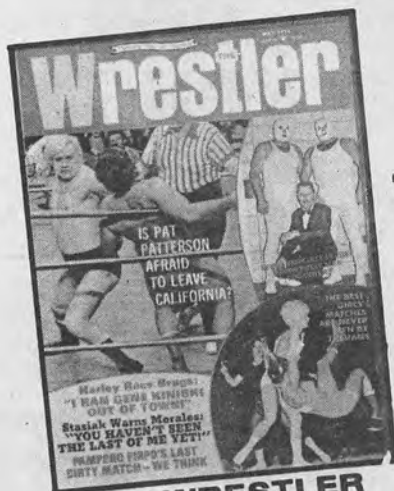
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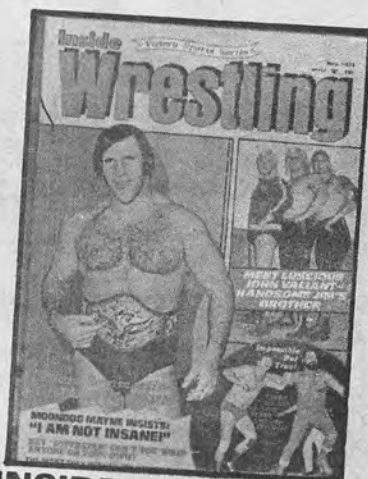
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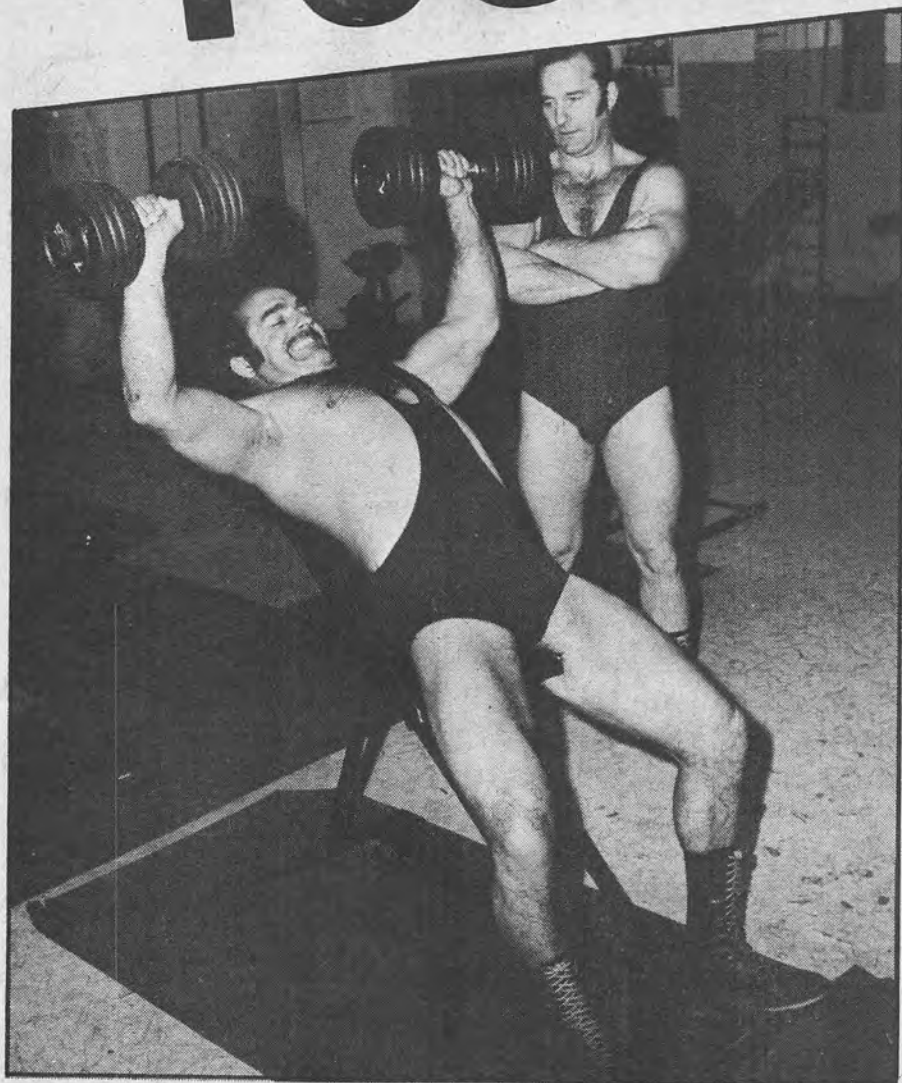
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# TEST YOURSELF

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Jerry Kozak watches carefully as brother Nick goes through his paces with a pair of 50-pound barbells. Ninety nine percent of all professional wrestlers go through strict training programs almost daily.

## ARE YOU IN GOOD ENOUGH SHAPE TO BECOME A WRESTLER?

By NICK AND JERRY KOZAK

**YOU ARE A MESS!**

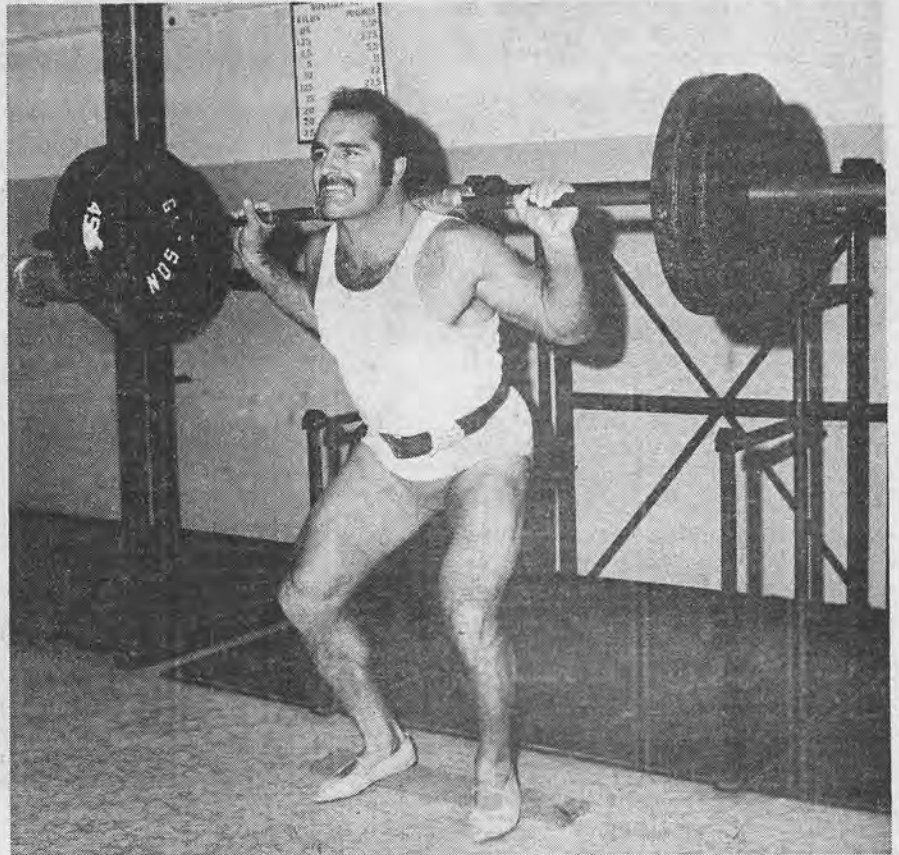
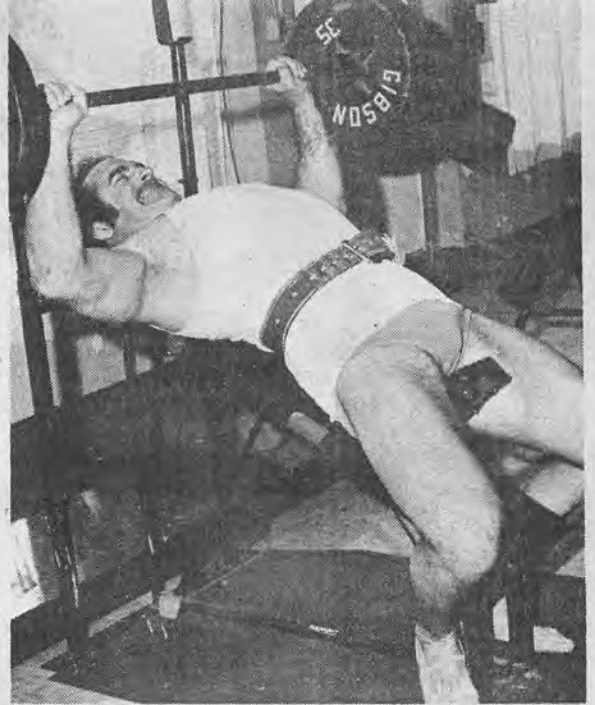
You may not think so, your boyfriend or girlfriend may not think so, your mother may not think so, but you are.

If you're a typical American between the ages of 10 and 50 you probably can't lift your own weight, run a mile in less than six minutes (if you can run a mile at all), do 10 chins, 30 situps or 20 pushups. You probably can't touch your toes without bending your knees or do a for-

**Many people who read this magazine dream of becoming professional wrestlers. Few, if any, will make it. Why? Because Americans are in lousy shape. We're too fat or too skinny or too well-fed or too weak. If you can't honestly pass this test—you've got some shaping up to do!**



As Jerry applies himself to doing pushups on the parallel bars (left), Nick tries his hand with 140 pounds of weights (right). Nick demonstrates various methods of lifting weights (below). Weight training is only a small part of the daily exercise schedule the Kozaks—and most other wrestlers—follow.



ward roll or climb a rope or do a handstand. In short, you're out of shape, lazy, and in a pretty sad state.

Yes. We're talking about YOU!

For people who enjoy the standard of living Americans do we should be in outstanding physical condition. But because of our standard of living, despite all we know about diet and exercise, we're in terrible condition.

Do you smoke? Do you have any idea of whether or not your diet is proper? When you say "I'm going to run down to the store for a container of milk" do you really run down to the store or do you hop in your car and drive to the store? When's the last time you were in a gym? When's the last time you ran a mile? When's the last time you worked out?

We can guess the answer.

What will happen to many of you

is that one day you'll get a scare—perhaps from your family doctor—and realize that you're in disastrous shape. Then you'll try to rush it by exercising too fast and you might even have a heart attack. Thousands of Americans have heart attacks every year. Many of them, perhaps most of them, can be prevented!

With few exceptions, professional wrestlers are among the best trained

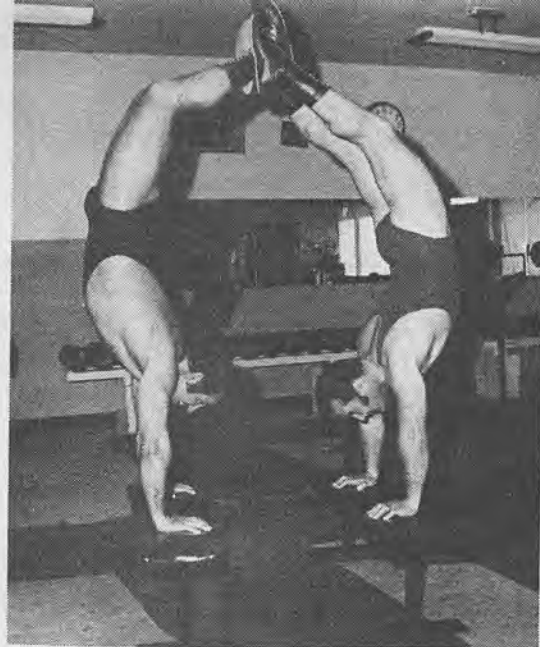
athletes in the world, and as a group they are in excellent condition. They have to be. They wrestle about three or four times a week, and when they're not wrestling they're training. Yet many people think all they have to do to become wrestlers is buy a pair of tights and boots.

Whenever youngsters come up to us and ask how to become a wrestler the first thing we tell them is to get themselves in shape. But what we





Note how Jerry is very careful to position himself right behind Nick (left) as Nick lifts weights over his head while lying on his back. This way, if Nick drops the weight, he won't injure himself. Want to loosen up shoulder and back muscles? Try a handstand like this (right).



have found out is that most people have no idea of how to do it. We'll get to that later. First, you have to find out whether or not you are in shape.

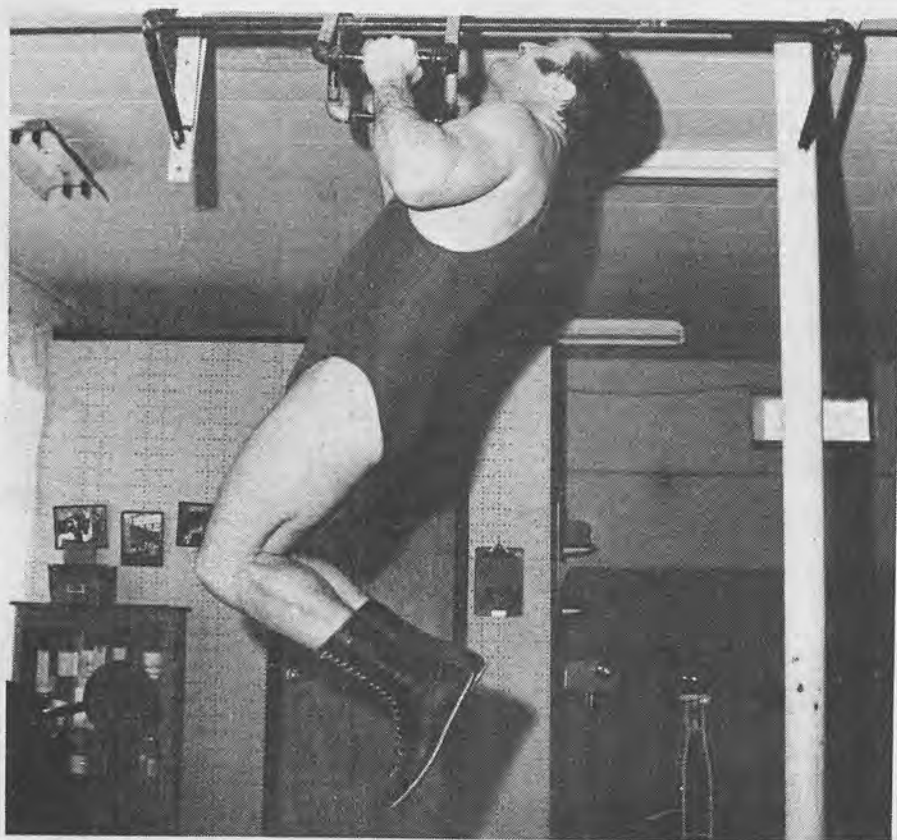
Of course, there are different variables depending upon your age and body structure. What might be expected from a 16-year-old in the way of exercise would not necessarily be expected from an eight-year-old. But given those differences, there are certain ways you can tell whether or not you're in shape.

First among these is smoking. If you smoke you're not in shape. Period. We're not talking about smoking causing cancer. Long before cancer becomes a factor smoking cuts your wind. It interferes with your breathing and restricts your lung capacity. It cuts your endurance. You want to smoke? Fine. But you're putting yourself at a disadvantage by limiting your capacity.

You may say "What about those athletes who do smoke?" Sure, some do. But how much better might they be if they didn't smoke at all?

Next to smoking, the most common cause of being out of shape is weight—either being overweight or underweight. Only a doctor can tell you how much you should weigh. It depends upon height and build and differs for men and women. However, if you are 10 pounds or more overweight or underweight—you're not in good shape.

There is absolutely no reason in the world, excepting glandular conditions, for you to be overweight. None. And being overweight is the easiest thing in the world to correct.



Jerry Kozak demonstrates pullups on a piece of apparatus in the gym. For those without such apparatus, a rope-climbing exercise will accomplish the same thing. But how many of you can climb up a rope?

You don't need any of those fancy diets you read about. Simply ask your doctor to put you on a balanced diet—and stick to it. Next, cut out all desserts and reduce your bread intake. Finally, begin a program of limited exercise. If you don't cheat—this will do it.

Gaining weight is a different problem. Most people believe all you have to do is eat more. If you do you'll

gain fat. What you want to do is turn the added weight into muscle. For that you must exercise.

We've mentioned exercise and perhaps what we mean should be explained. Exercise covers a broad area—everything from lifting weights to plain, every day walking.

Walking is a great exercise and you should walk at least a mile a day. If in your day's activities you don't

Not all exercises involve weights. In fact, among the best exercises are walking, running, swimming and basketball. Nick (right) practices his golf swing—golf being a good form of exercise because of the walking. Jerry (below) is an advocate of tumbling as a way to sharpen coordination.



muscle in your body. Swimming works the same way as running. Start off at a rate you're comfortable with until you get tired. Then, slowly, increase your distance.

Many people think you have to join an exclusive club or have access to a gym in order to exercise properly. Although they're good, they aren't necessary. There are many simple exercises you can do around your house.

If you're an average teenager you should be able to do 30 situps, 20 pushups, 50 deep knee bends, 75 jumping jacks, and you should be able to chin yourself at least 10 times. Barring physical limitations, anything less means you're not in good shape. If you can't touch your toes without bending your knees—you're in bad shape. If you can't SEE your toes because of a protruding stomach—you're in worse shape than you can imagine!

Doing these exercises should be approached in the same manner as running. Do what you can at the beginning—don't force yourself beyond your limit—and after a week or so try to increase the number. With the possible exception of chinning, all can be done in the home.

The best alternative is, however, a gymnasium. There you should find facilities for chinning, rope-climbing and tumbling, parallel bars, still rings and weights and pulleys. You should be able to lift your own weight. If you can't, begin gradually and lift what you can. Start off with 10 pounds and work your way up.

There are certain exercises—espe-

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walk a mile a day make sure you go for a walk specifically for that purpose.

Running is an excellent exercise. A person in decent shape (male) should be able to run a mile in six minutes. But don't try it all at once. Begin with a limited program. Jog at first. Stop when you get tired and make a note of how far you went. Maintain that pace for a week. Then

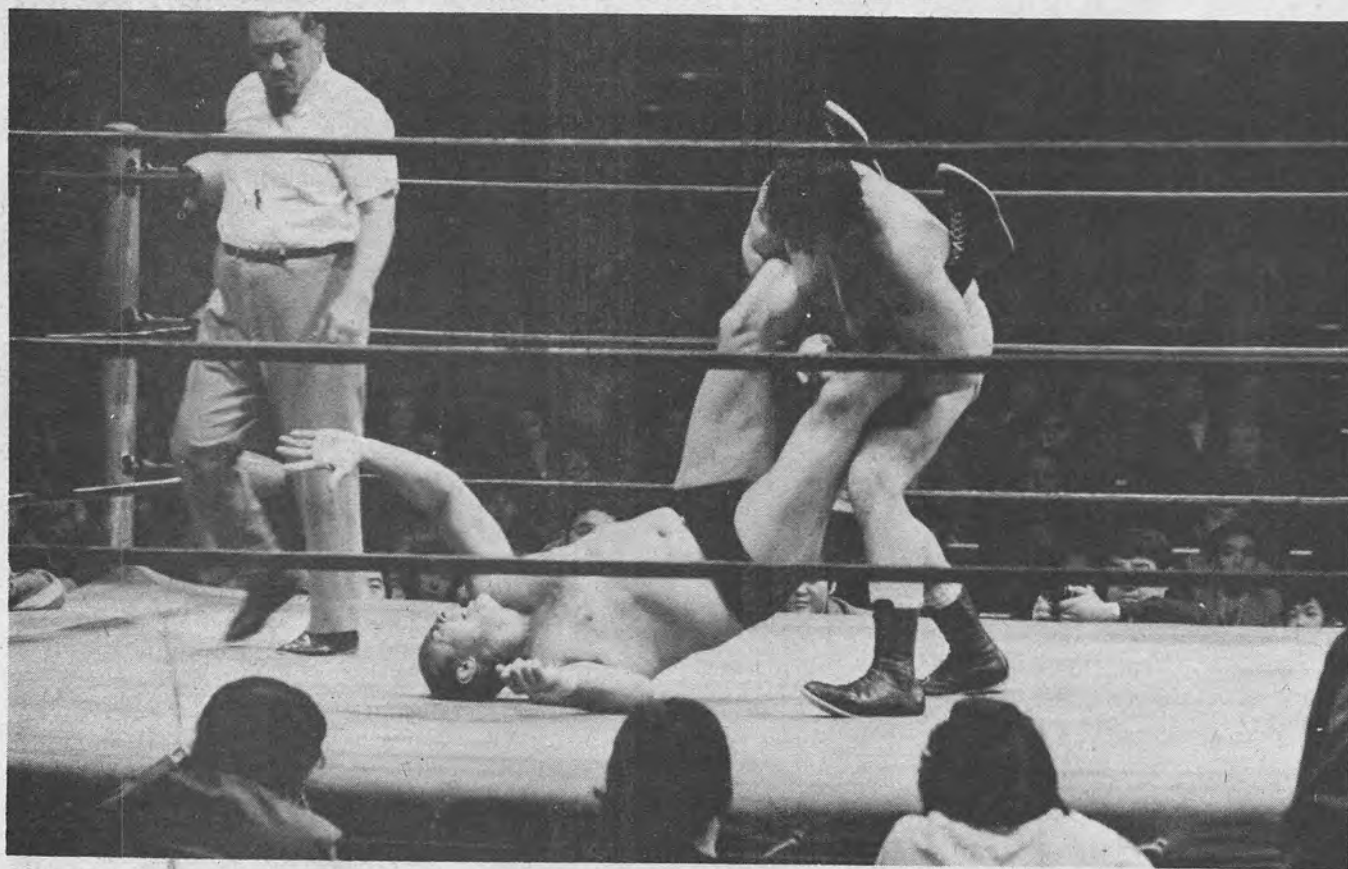
try to increase your speed and /or distance. Step by step. If you begin by running a quarter mile, stay with that for about a month. Then try to go a half mile. Keep increasing it step by step. Within six months you should be running a mile in six minutes.

Two other excellent forms of exercise are swimming and basketball. Both allow you to use almost every



# WHAT VERNE GAGNE AND BILLY ROBINSON REALLY THINK OF EACH OTHER

**You'll be astonished when you read these startling revelations made by two great superstars — about each other!**



**F**EW MEN in the history of wrestling have battled each other in so many classic scientific matches as have Verne Gagne and Billy Robinson.

Each time the two meet the A.W.A. championship is at stake. More passion and power have been spent in these titanic struggles than in 20 other great matches.

What do these great wrestlers really think of each other? What can Verne Gagne say about the one man

who poses the greatest threat to the title to which Verne has dedicated his life?

What can Billy Robinson say about the man who has kept him from realizing his great dream? The answers to these questions are startling and reveal the drive and dignity which makes men champions.

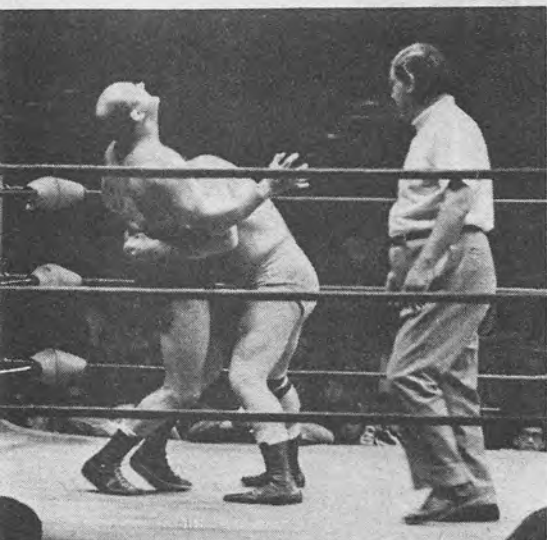
Billy Robinson brought his quest for the A.W.A. title to Japan, making his chase for the championship

world-wide. Sitting in his sumptuous hotel suite, Billy talked openly about his opinion of the man who holds the title Billy so desperately desires.

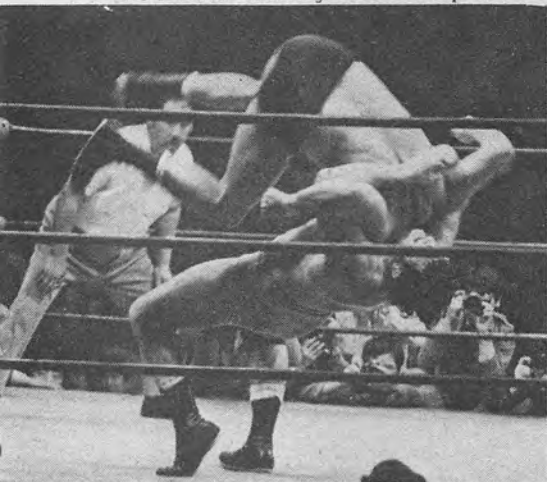
"When the history of professional wrestling is written, Verne Gagne will be one of its most famous figures. I can think of no man whose record is so exemplary or whose accomplishments are so great. To an entire generation, Verne Gagne is the champion!

# GNE AND BILLY Y THINK OF

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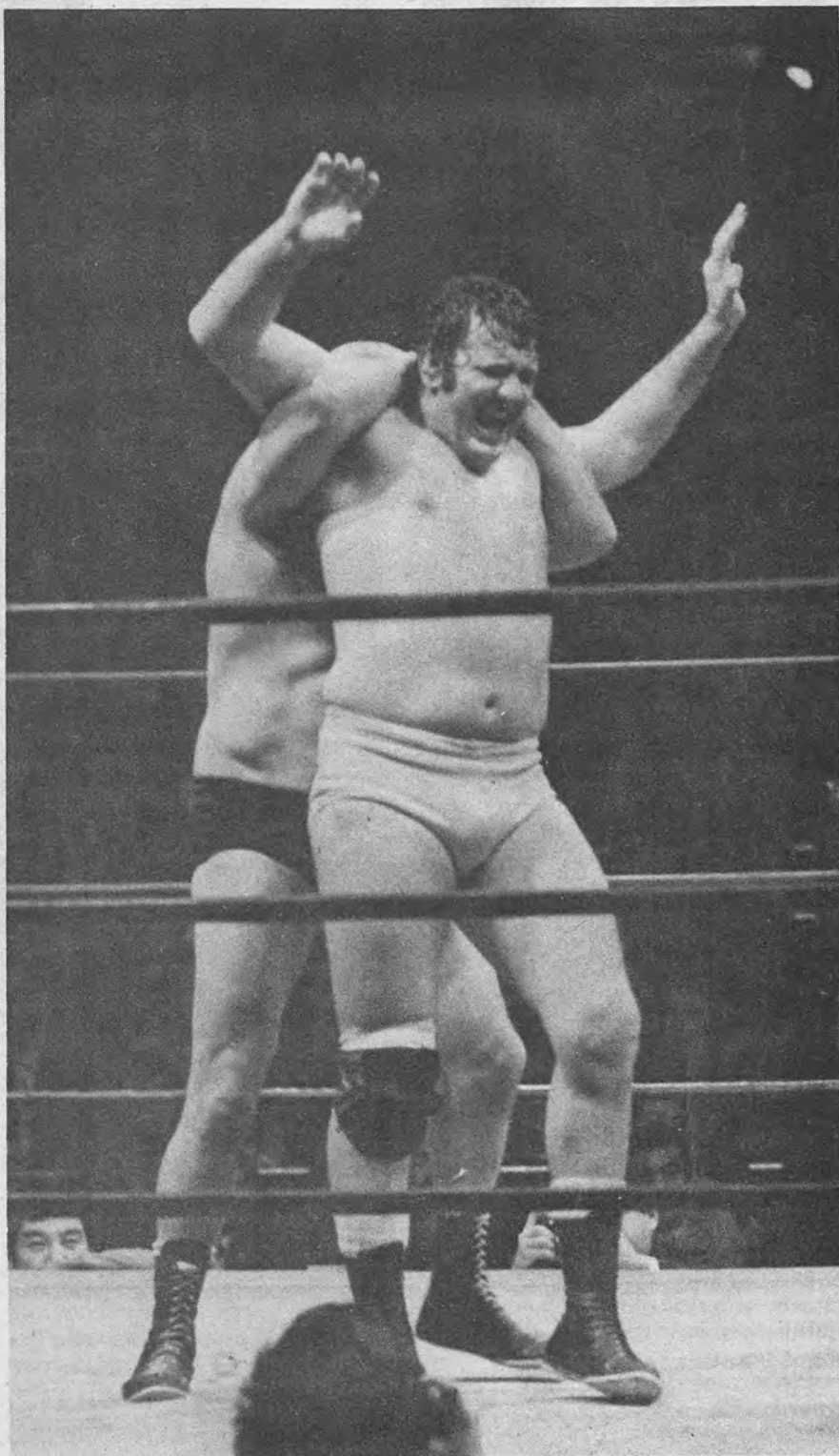


Billy Robinson pursues Verne Gagne to Japan in hopes of wresting the A.W.A. title away from Verne. Each match is filled with see-sawing action but in the end, Verne leaves the island country still champion!



"I wouldn't want his title if I didn't respect the man so highly. The A.W.A. title has become so prestigious because it's Gagne's. I know when I take the title from him it'll be an accomplishment that will be respected throughout the wrestling world. There is no other championship in professional sports where the title and the man

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# THE "HOLLYWOOD BLONDS" COME HOME

**"H**ELLO, HOLLYWOOD. You stupid people don't know how lucky you are."

These were the first words spoken by the elegant Sir Oliver Humperdink as he and his tag team, the Hollywood Blonds, arrived in Los Angeles.

"Yes, it is true. We are finally here in California. I, Sir Oliver, have bowed to the requests of you peasants and have brought my men to this area.

"As everybody knows, Mr. Buddy Roberts and his associate, Mr. Jerry Brown, better known as the Hollywood Blonds, are the two greatest wrestlers in the world."

Sir Oliver was asked why he and his men had come to the west coast.

"The reason, my good man, is a working vacation. While here, the Blonds will relax by beating every wrestler in this state. It shouldn't take us more than a week or two."

The ugly part of that statement may be that it could be true! Brown and Roberts have indeed vanquished mostly all of the opponents they have met in their career.

The two, under Humperdink's tutelage, came together in Montreal. Both men wrestle with the same rulebusting tactics. They became the most hated tag team in that country.

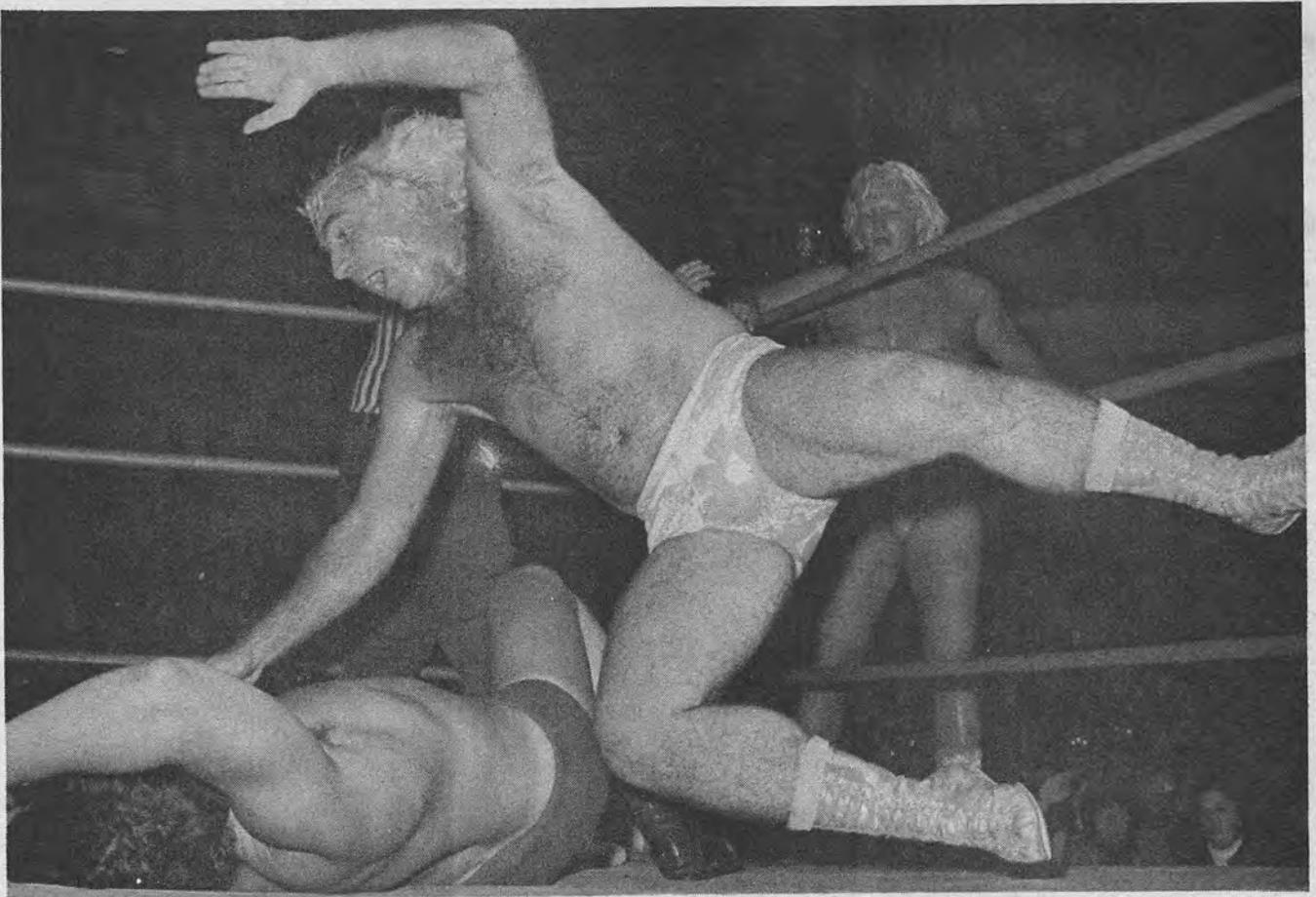
"Yes, that is the unfortunate truth," said Sir Oliver. "The slow witted morons of Canada couldn't understand greatness when they witnessed it. When we ran out of lackeys, we left."

However, **INSIDE WRESTLING** has learned from correspondent Benjamin Dover the main reason the Blonds left Canada was because promoters were afraid to schedule any wrestlers against them. The Blonds were too brutal and riot provoking.

Humperdink then took his team south. The pattern was repeated in Florida. Once again the Blonds became tag team champions. And once again crippled, maimed and scarred athletes were left in their wake.



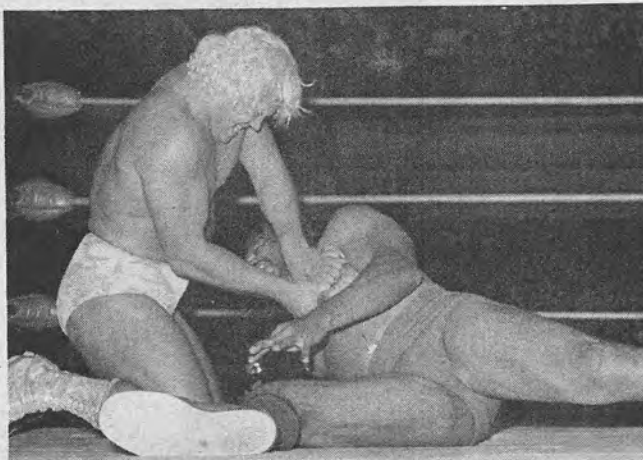
*The Hollywood Blonds, Buddy Roberts and Jerry Brown, stand proudly behind their manager, Sir Oliver Humperdink.*



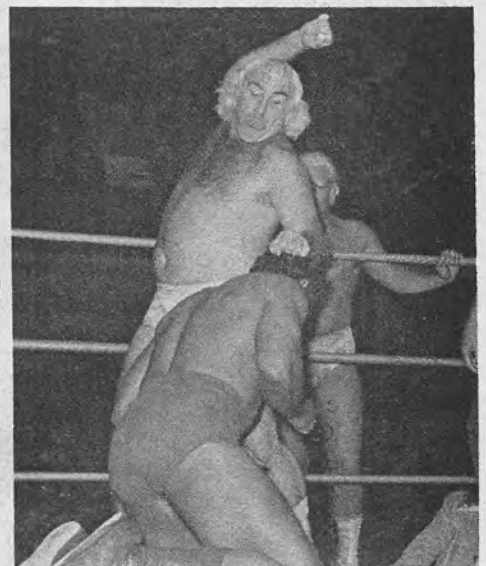
## The Hollywood Blonds make their homecoming a brutal event for Victor Rivera and Dino Bravo

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*Jerry Brown falls on stricken Dino Bravo after the hapless Bravo had been kicked in the groin. Dino had no chance at all to defend himself!*



*Left: Victor Rivera screams in agony when Buddy Roberts sinks a clawhold into Rivera's chest. Right: Jerry Brown has Victor at his mercy with a brutal smash to Rivera's back.*



"It may be true," Humberdink admitted, "that Mr. Roberts and Mr. Brown have caused a few accidents in the ring. But they were only reprisals for shameful attacks on my men."

"They were the most vicious wrestlers I've ever seen," said Eddie Gra-

ham when reached by phone in Florida. "Now, you know that I know all about rulebreakers. But the Blonds were among the worst I've ever seen."

"As for Humberdink saying the Blonds struck back only at people who attacked them first, that's bull. Roberts and Brown are nothing but

cowards. I only hope someone in California can end their bloody reign."

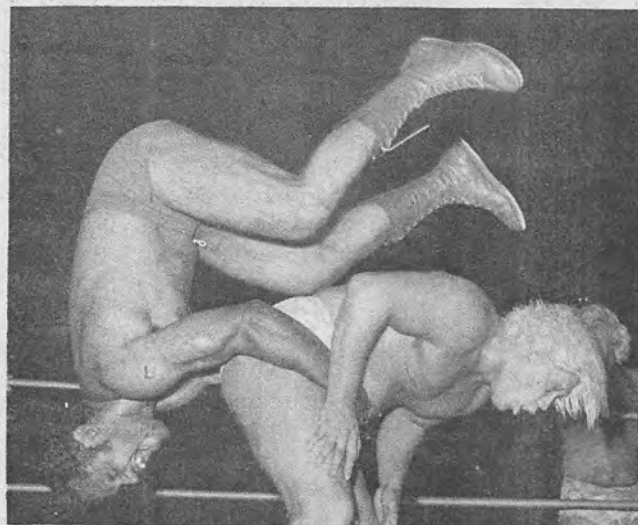
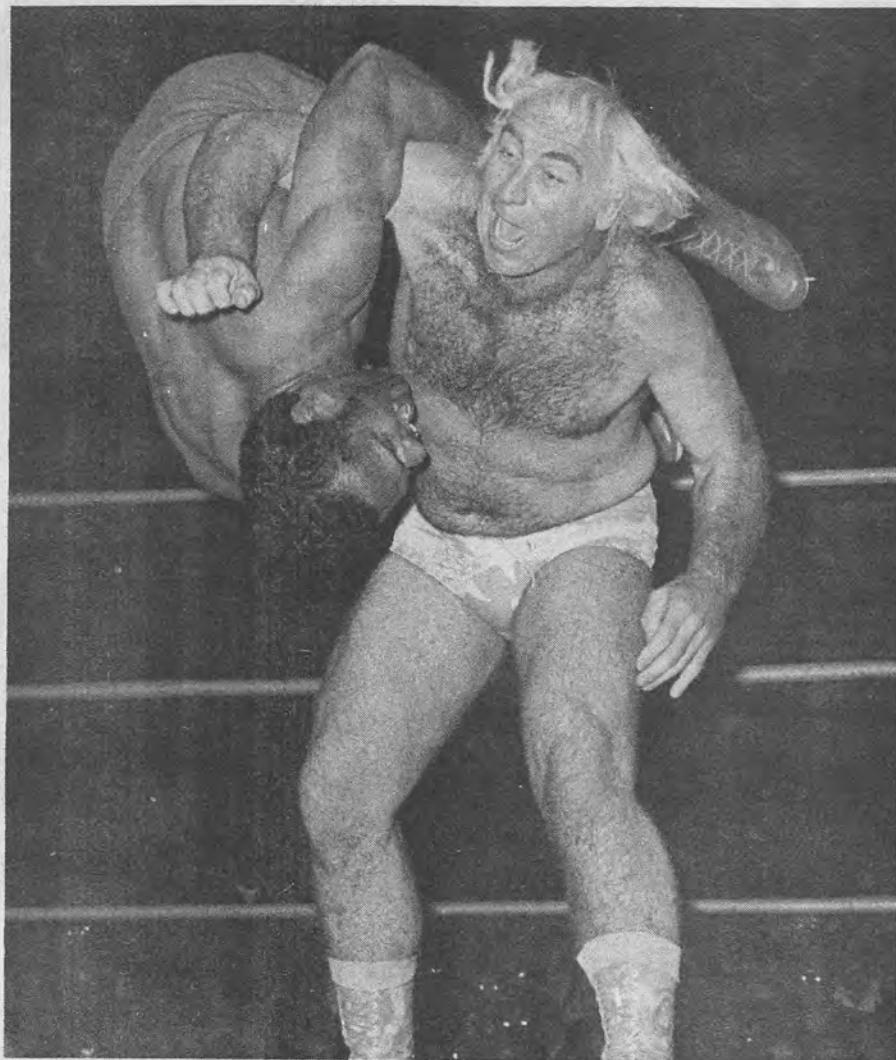
But it appeared no one would be able. In only two weeks, the Hollywood Blonds became the most despised tag team on the west coast. And they beat all comers.

"Well," said Humberdink, "it has

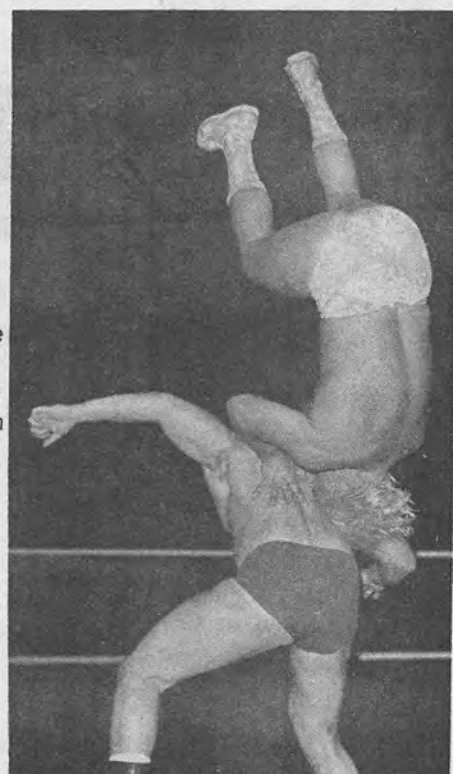




Above: Dino Bravo twists and squirms his way free of a chinlock while Buddy listens to his manager. Right: Jerry Brown armflips Victor Rivera, but Victor's unharmed by the flip.



Left: Victor becomes the unwilling victim of a Buddy Roberts backflip. Stunned by crashing to the mat, Victor is almost pinned and the bout lost. Right: Roberts is sent flying by a perfectly timed Dino Bravo maneuver. The flip sent Roberts scurrying back to his corner to have Brown relieve him. Jerry quickly rescued him.



become painfully obvious that there is absolutely no competition for us. I believe we must move on."

However, before the blonds could make good on their "threat," they were contracted to meet Victor Rivera and Dino Bravo, one of the best tag team combinations in wrestling.

When Humperdink was asked what

he thought of Rivera and Bravo, he gave this analysis.

"They are very good. They are champions. Rivera and Bravo are fantastic athletes. They must train for hours and hours every day.

"Rivera and Bravo are quite obviously the finest team in wrestling

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# TARZAN TYLER ATTACKS RAY ROUGEAU'S 12-YEAR- OLD BROTHER!

**Tarzan Tyler proves his savagery knows no limits. Even children are suitable victims!**

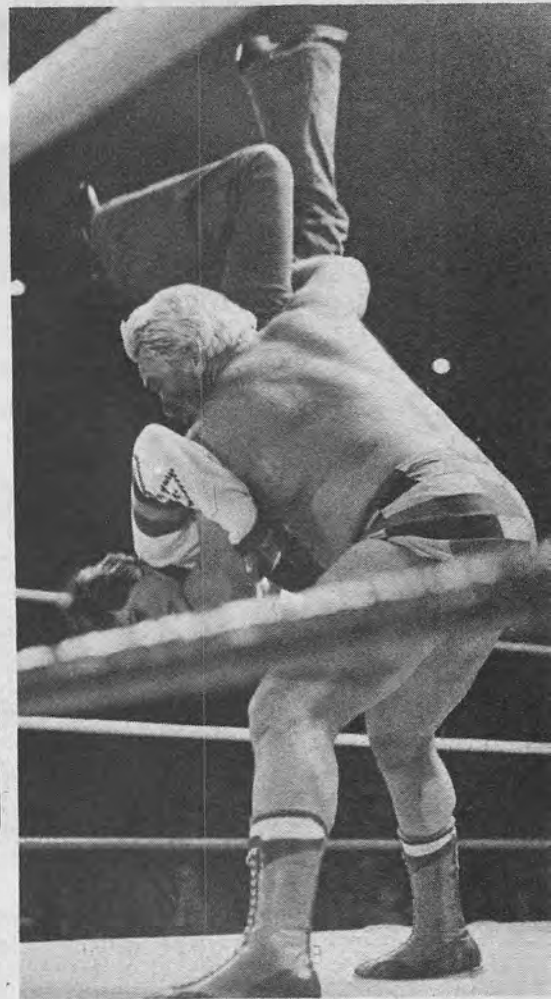
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**R**AYMOND ROUGEAU LAY stretched out on the canvas, the victim of Tarzan Tyler's manic brutality. The fans who angrily screamed their outrage at Tyler could not dream they would soon see an act which would make all the horror which came before it seem like strict scientific grappling.

Tyler wasn't satisfied with simply beating Rougeau senseless. Tyler's foot slammed down time and time

again on Raymond's inert body. Each kick produced a corresponding shudder and groan from Rougeau. The crowd screamed, the referee tried to pull Tyler away, but the beating continued.

In the crowd, a terrified 12-year-old boy watched with tears in his eyes. Raymond's young brother was afraid for the life of Tyler's tormented victim. Finally, the brave but foolish youngster could watch



*Fans are shocked as Tarzan Tyler grabs the young brother of Raymond Rougeau and body slams the child to the canvas. No one would believe Tyler capable of this despicable act!*

his brother be tortured no longer.

Slipping past security guards with agility borne of desperation, the young boy ran towards the ring apron. He grabbed his brother's arm and began to drag the fallen form away from Tyler's grasp.

But the youngster couldn't pull his brother away fast enough. Enraged that anyone would interfere with his sadistic beating, Tyler reached through the ropes and grabbed the youngster. The child's eyes opened wide with terror but he bravely refused to give Tyler the satisfaction of hearing him scream.

It was Tyler who would do the screaming. With a banshee yell that curdled the blood of everyone in the arena, he pulled the boy through the ropes and lifted the helpless child over his head. And then, while the crowd looked on in

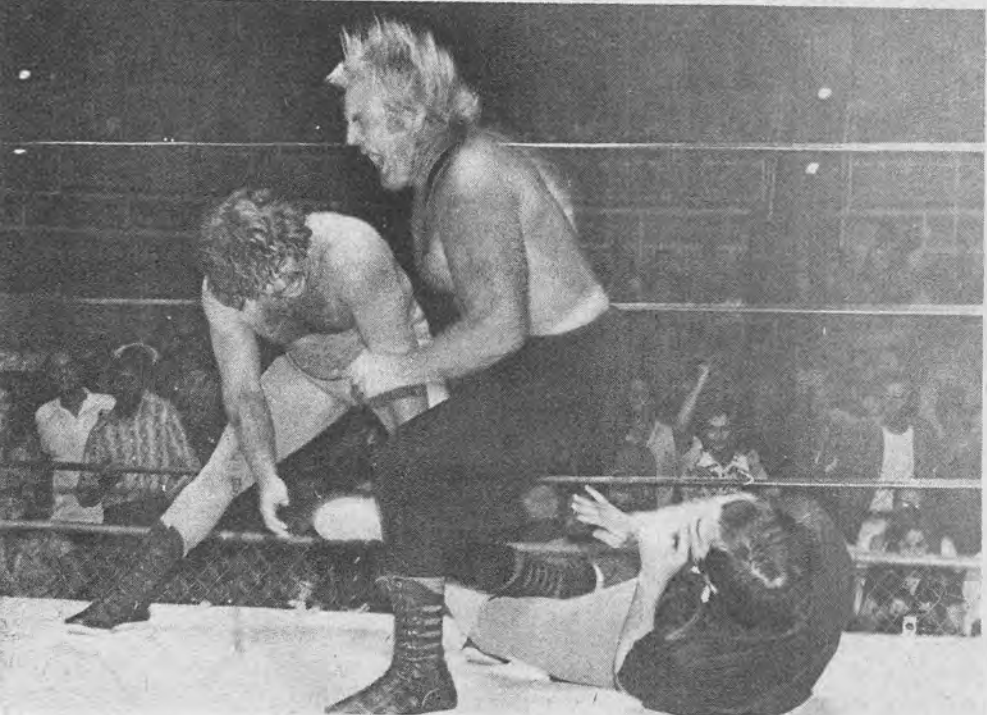
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**Pushed to the limit of their endurance, Eddie and Mike Graham lash out at Professor Toru Tanaka and Dick Slater!**



*Mike and Eddie Graham go to work on Playboy Gary Hart after the hapless manager tried to interfere in the Grahams' match against Dick Slater and Toru Tanaka (above). After Slater and Hart flee, the father and son team punish Tanaka, who had the misfortune of still being around. The Grahams were uncontrollable throughout this wild and savage battle!*



**L**AUGHING RAUCOUSLY IN the interviewer's face, Playboy Gary Hart seemed the epitome of confidence. He appeared to be happily unafraid of what the future might bring.

"So the poor cowardly slobs have declared open season on Gary Hart," he shouted into the microphone, "admitting they cannot defeat the men of my army! It's a coward's tactic and totally in character with slobbering buffoons who call themselves the Grahams, the most pathetic father and son I've ever had the misfortune to encounter! That these two stiff have the gall to even challenge Professor Tanaka and Dick Slater, two of the greatest ever, shows what little sense of reality they have.

"What cowardice, what an admission of their incompetence! Unable to pin Tanaka or Slater, they have to go after the team's manager! It's a desperation tactic which speaks very badly for the old man and sonny boy.

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**THE  
NIGHT  
MIKE  
AND  
EDDIE**

**GRAHAM EXPLODED!**

"But what few people know is that the commission okayed this foul situation. After asking *my* permission. I told these guys that under no conditions could the Graham family clods defeat my men. Any stipulation would be acceptable. Open season was declared on Playboy Gary Hart, the greatest manager wrestling has ever known, only after I said it could be done. With my army, I fear no man or men."

"But the Graham's weren't the only ones," the interviewer pointed out, "who requested this open season. In fact, the commission claimed no single request has ever been made before by so many different, respected wrestlers."

"All of whom are paid lackeys!" Hart declared. "I have in my possession photographic copies of canceled checks from the Grahams to every wrestler who made the request along with them. This is positive proof showing how corrupt my enemies are. The Grahams spent over \$25,000 to get the chance to legally thrash me! Well, I can tell you right now it's a thrown away fortune!"

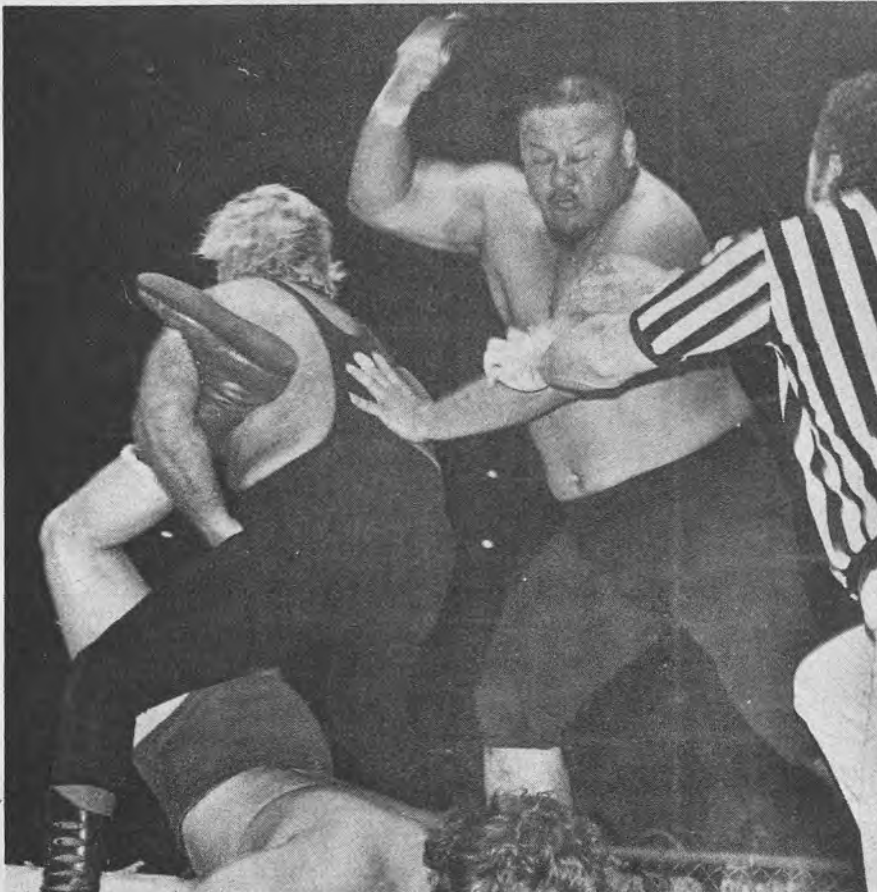
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Above: Slater holds Mike Graham as Hart pummels the helpless wrestler.

Left: Tanaka tries to free Slater from Eddie Graham's Boston crab by smashing Eddie with a judo chop.

Below: Tanaka is caught in the corner by Graham, who wrenches Toru's neck!





A black and white photograph of a professional wrestling match. Johnny Valentine, a muscular man with light-colored hair, is in a dominant position, leaning over his opponent. He is shirtless and has a determined expression. His opponent, a man with dark hair, is lying on his back, looking up at Valentine. The background is dark and out of focus. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

**Johnny  
Valentine  
doesn't expect  
anything from  
anyone — and  
demands the  
same from  
them**

**JOHNNY  
VALENTINE:  
ONE MAN  
AGAINST  
THE  
WORLD!**

**N**O MAN IS an island. But Johnny Valentine comes as close as a man can come.

Johnny's been in wrestling for a long time. He's ambitious and ruthless. He's had more than his share of matches in which the opponent was never able to wrestle again. A list of his enemies includes most of the great names in wrestling.

Now, Johnny Valentine finds himself alone in his profession. There are few professional wrestlers he can call his friends and few who would stand by him when the chips are down. When promoters try to schedule him for a tag team match, they can find few men willing to be his partner.

"I've never seen anything like it!" one veteran exclaimed. "I've talked to some of the dirtiest wrestlers in this business, offered them sums I'd never thought I'd offer anyone, and still no one will take the match. I don't think you could get a partner for Valentine if you offered \$100,000. The hatreds are too deep to be ignored for any amount. I've never seen anything like it."

When other wrestlers are asked if they'd ever be Valentine's tag team partner, the usual response is, "Over my dead body!" Some will go into long tales which show how evil Valentine has been over the years. Others refuse to talk, the memory too painful to be described.

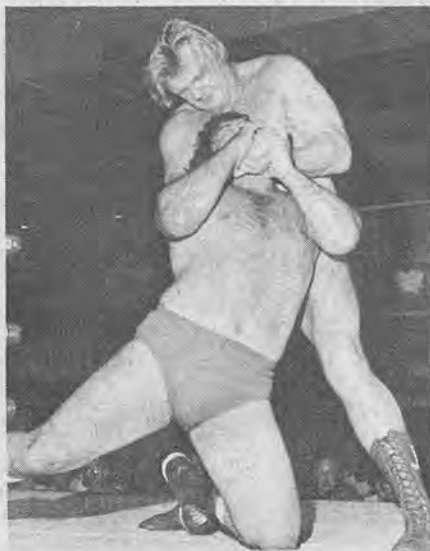
While hardly anyone is willing to be his tag team partner, hundreds beg promoters daily for the chance to wrestle against him. Almost everyone with a deserved reputation in wrestling has a score to settle with Valentine. Few people would mourn if Valentine found himself too badly injured to ever wrestle again.

"There are guys in this sport," declares Cowboy Bob Ellis, a former regular tag team partner, "who'd cripple Johnny as soon as look at him. I know the feeling. You have to be his tag team partner to really hate him. How I could have been his friend for years astonishes me! I'm one of those who feels a little thrill of pleasure every time I see Valentine taken out on a stretcher."

"He's not only cruel, a lot of guys in this sport are cruel," says Paul Jones. "Johnny is evil, selfishly evil. He'd break his best friend's neck



*Above: Bob Ellis tears into former partner Valentine in one of their many ugly brawls. Below: Paul Jones learns why so many hate Valentine and why no one will be his partner.*



without thinking twice just to win a match. Hell, he'd kill his mother just to get an advantage!

"And the weird thing is that he doesn't care that much about winning. He just cares so little about anyone else. To see him in action is one of the most frightening things imaginable. Most people have more guilt over swatting a fly than Valentine does over crippling a fellow

wrestler!

Other wrestlers quickly agree with Ellis and Jones' accusations. Each has some horror story of Valentine's cold, calculating heartlessness. Many have more than one — and the scars which go along with them.

Knowing the depth of hatred for him by so many capable of crippling, an average man would make himself scarce. Of course, an average man couldn't make so many hate him as deeply as has Johnny Valentine. Johnny continues to meet all challengers, putting his career — and theirs — on the line every time he wrestles.

"I'm not in this business for my health," Valentine declares, "and anyone who is is a fool. I have no patience with fools. When I wrestle and win, that's better for me. I'm not a team player. As far as I'm concerned, it's survival of the fittest. I'm a survivor."

Valentine realizes this philosophy and the terrifyingly cold way he lives by it has made him many enemies. Most wrestlers scream in hatred when they talk about those who vow to kill them. Johnny speaks with quiet harshness, which soon becomes more frightening

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# BOBBY HEENAN ISN'T SAFE ANYWHERE

**One lesson Bobby Heenan's never learned is when to leave well enough alone. If he learned that he might—just might—stay out of trouble**

PHOTOS BY BOB SABRE



**A**N ANGRY AND disgusted Bobby Heenan sat disconsolately in his dressing room. His mind filled with hatred at the thought of what he believed to be Larry Hennig's betrayal. Bobby's contorted face showed his feelings.

"I managed Hennig like I'd manage a son," Heenan told anyone who'd listen. "When I finally taught him to wrestle, which is hard as hell since he has no talent AT ALL, what does the lousy ingrate do? He decides he wants to be a strictly scientific wrestler. After all my work, all my plans, he leaves me. He leaves Bobby Heenan! NOBODY leaves Bobby Heenan! If they do, they soon become nobodies!"

Heenan ranted and fumed. Knowing Larry was sitting in the adjoining dressing room only made Bobby angrier. Heenan can't brood for long. He requires action, needs to destroy whatever makes him angry. Hennig, so close, was too tempting a target to resist.

With a start, Bobby leaped up and ran towards Hennig's dressing room. Thirst for revenge consumed Heenan. Hennig must pay for leaving the Heenan stable.

Hennig had no notion what was in store for him as he casually dressed to leave the arena. He was joking with Pepper Gomez, who had just finished a match, when Heenan angrily entered.

"Hennig!" Bobby screamed. "You don't deserve to be a wrestler! You don't deserve to live!"

"What the hell are you doing here, Heenan!?" Larry cried. "Go back where you belong before you get hurt."

"If anyone gets hurt," Heenan yelled at Larry, "it's a traitorous snake named Hennig! Know a sniveling pig by that name?"

"Get out," Larry said evenly, "and crawl back into the garbage can you came from. If you're nice, the rats will allow you back."

As if shot from a cannon, Heenan leaped on Larry, his fingers trying to gouge out Hennig's eyes. Bobby's fingers fastened around Larry's face like claws. Flesh tore apart and blood appeared on Larry's face. With a scream of enraged agony, Hennig smashed Bobby hard in the body and the free-for-all started.

At first, the cuts Hennig suffered

seemed minor. He managed to give as good as he got. But Heenan's cruelly experienced fingers did their dirty work.

The cuts opened badly, causing blood to pour over Larry's face. The wounds were serious. Larry would have had to have been hospitalized if the battle continued much longer.

Fortunately, Pepper Gomez and a referee stepped in quickly to prevent tragedy. The referee pulled Hennig away and Gomez stepped between Heenan and Hennig. Bobby didn't care at this point and went right to work on Gomez. Pepper was more than a match for the already tired Heenan.

Once the referee had Hennig out of danger, he leaped between Gomez and Heenan. Bobby and Pepper had no intention of ending their brawl. The trio rolled and tumbled all over the dressing room.

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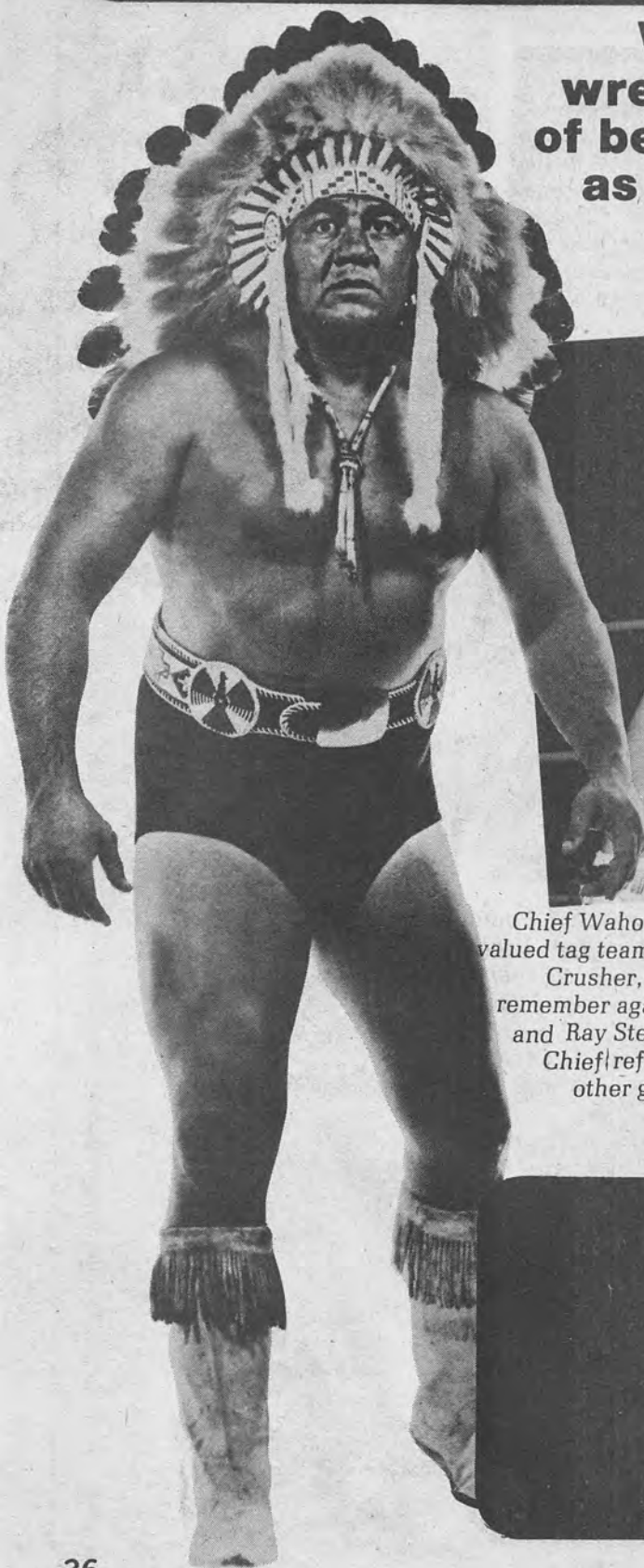
Heenan leaves Larry Hennig a bloody mess after a sneak attack in the dressing room (above). Then Bobby receives a beating at the hands of Pepper Gomez, a Heenan enemy!





# WAHOO & S

Why won't these two great wrestlers satisfy their legions of begging fans? The answer is as complex as it is surprising



Chief Wahoo McDaniel is a highly valued tag team partner. Paired with Crusher, he made it a match to remember against Nick Bockwinkel and Ray Stevens (above). Yet, the Chief refuses to team with that other great Indian wrestler, Chief Jay Strongbow!

**W**HEN WRESTLING PROMOTERS gather and discuss which two wrestlers they would most like to sign as a tag team, it's a very short conversation. The names of Wahoo McDaniel and Chief Jay Strongbow are linked immediately.

No two other names can equal this combination. But the promot-

# THE TAG T FANS D

# TRONGBOW:



Chief Jay Strongbow is one of the most popular wrestlers in the world, renowned for the sleeper hold which he uses against Stan Stasiak (above). Jay also refuses to team with his great friend, Chief Wahoo.

ers will then shake their heads in bemusement, knowing it would take a miracle to get those men together.

The strange thing about this situation is that Wahoo and Jay are the best of friends. Yet, despite the offers of fabulous purses and numerous challenges by other tag teams, the two men re-

fuse to become partners. Even the thousands of letters fans keep writing asking the two to team fail to change their minds. Every so often a promoter will vainly beg the pair to become tag team partners. Now, no promoter is surprised by their refusal.

"I know we'd make a great  
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# TEAM THE EMAND





*Above: The referee tries to pull the choking Funk off Dillon. Right: The wild action spills over the ropes!*

**S**LAMMING DOWN THE telephone receiver, Jim Dillon paced angrily back and forth across his living room. He couldn't believe the telegram the operator had read to him over the phone. He clenched his fists in helpless outrage.

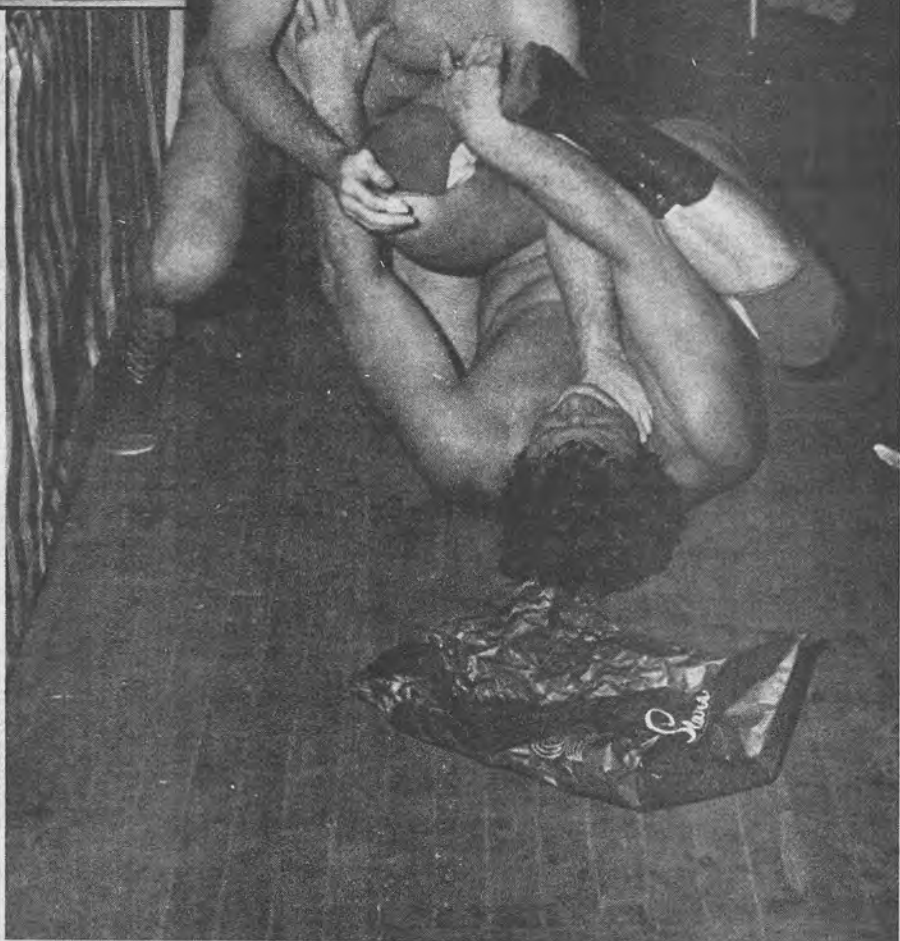
"Damn Funk and all his friends!" Dillon screamed. "Terry Funk could shoot me in Texas and I'd be blamed for obstructing the path of the bullet! He could have killed me last night. He *tried* to kill me last night. And I'm being blamed for being a victim!"

The telegram which had been read to Dillon over the phone said, "Because of the unsportsmanlike exhibition which occurred between Terry Funk and you last evening, there will be a hearing at which you must be in attendance. If there is any question as to the responsibility of last night's riot after this hearing, Mr. Funk will be commanded to appear at a similar hearing." The telegram went on to name the date and address of the meeting.

Despite his protestations, Dillon appeared on time. He listened as the commissioner read the referee's statement accusing Jim of willfully and brutally ignoring all rules and official instructions to produce a match which required two other wrestlers and the referee to subdue.

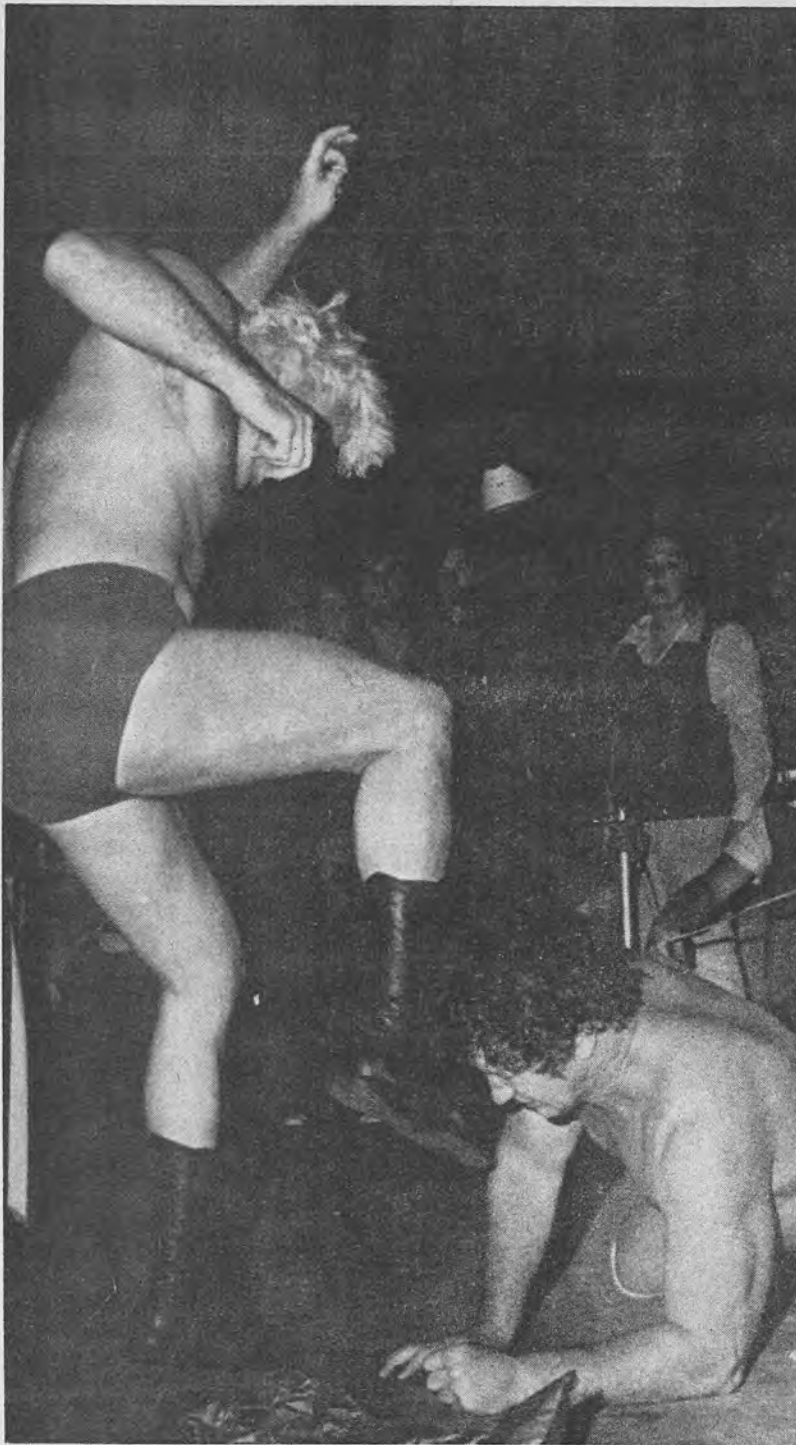
In the melee, the referee suffered a bruised shoulder and a cut across his forehead which required eight stitches. The referee concluded his statement by declaring the incident had occurred because of Dillon's provocations and Dillon's provocations alone.

The commissioner went on to say he  
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**Terry Funk and Jim Dillon collide in a Texas arena and all hell breaks loose!**

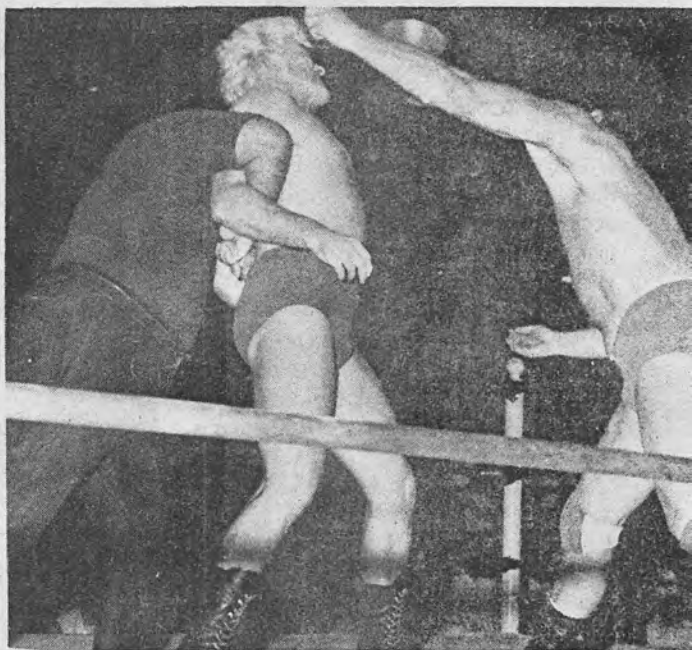
# RIOT NIG



Stunned from the fall to the hard concrete, Terry Funk is helpless against Jim Dillon's merciless attack late in the match (above). This battle shows there is no limit to Dillon's savagery, no matter who the opponent happens to be! The brutal kicks to Terry's jaw would force Terry to be hospitalized overnight for observation.



Above: The referee commands Dillon to break the chokehold on Funk but Jim ignores him. The official had to use force throughout the match to be obeyed. Below: As the referee pulls Dillon off Funk, Terry springs to his feet and smashes a left hook off Jim's head. Terry goes wild!



PHOTOS BY BILL BEACH

# HT IN TEXAS!



# WRESTLER ON THE "HOTSEAT"

**PEDRO MORALES  
SPEAKS OUT!**

**"I WANT  
ANOTHER  
MATCH  
AGAINST  
BRUNO!"**



**H**E'S BEEN WRESTLING professionally since he was 16 years old. An immediate hit with fans all over the world, his high flying tactics and fiery Latin temperament are his trademarks. Winning a respected title in California, he made headlines all over the country. With his sensational string of victories, his name quickly became a household word in wrestling circles. His biggest accomplishment was beating Ivan Koloff for the W.W.W.F.

**The "Hotseat" is not a comfortable place to be. When we put a wrestler on the "Hotseat" we interview him. But it is more than just an interview. It is a no-holds-barred question and answer forum that probes beyond the obvious and seeks to find out what others are afraid to ask. The "Hotseat" pulls no punches and plays no favorites. It is the kind of in-depth feature you'll find nowhere else!**

heavyweight title—a championship he held for over three years. He is Pedro Morales.

Q: Pedro, welcome to the "Hotseat."

A: Thank you. It's my pleasure.

Q: Let's talk about your championship years first.

A: What would you like to know?

Q: You came under heavy criticism during your reign. You were accused of being protected by referees, judges and other officials. What's your reaction to this?

A: You know, all my opponents came up with excuses. I just don't understand it. I was champion for over three years and everyone accused me of being protected.

Q: Were you?

A: Of course not. This was an excuse because they couldn't beat me. The state athletic commissions appoint referees and judges to be impartial. And they were. If these guys were man enough, why don't they just come out and say "Morales was better than I was tonight." They just didn't have the guts.

Q: The greatest match you ever wrestled, in our estimation, was the classic battle against Bruno Sammartino. Now Bruno has the title. Do you want another match against him?

A: Yes. I think I deserve it. I am waiting for that opportunity. When I was champion I was willing to wrestle anyone. I'm sure Bruno is willing to do the same, but I just can't seem to get a crack at the title. There are so many guys in line before me, I guess.

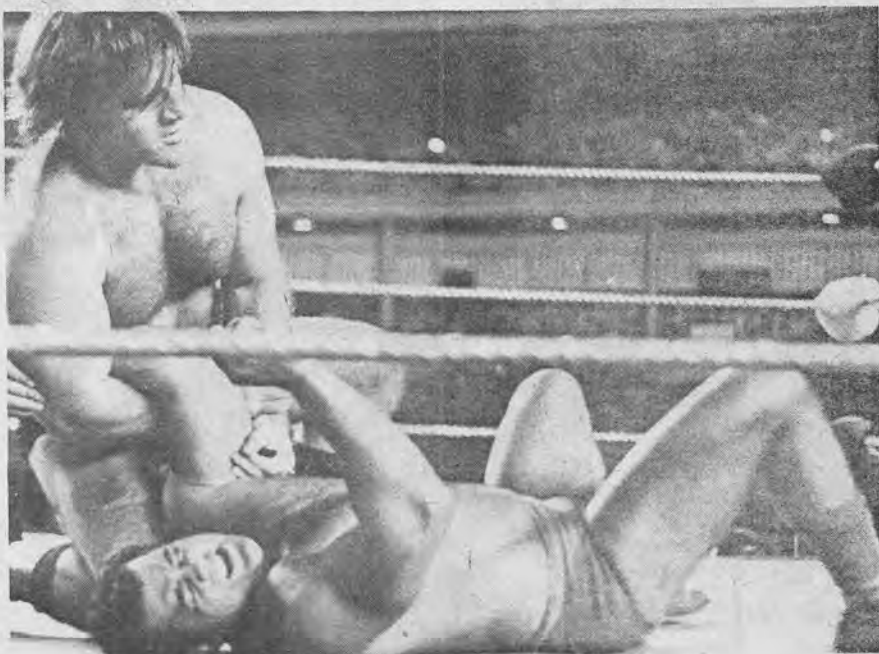
Q: Do you feel you're in the same situation as Chief Jay Strongbow?

A: Yes. But like the Chief says, the promoters make the matches, not the champion. And if you recall, I wrestled Bruno for one hour and 16 minutes to a draw. So now I deserve a chance against him for the title. It's over a year since I lost the belt. I want a shot at it.



Above: Stan Stasiak's challenges to Pedro's title became classic. Stan "The Man" finally took the W.W.W.F. title from Pedro. Below: A rough moment for Pedro in his great bout against Bruno Sammartino in 1972.

**"I WAS CHAMPION FOR OVER THREE YEARS AND EVERYONE SAID I WAS PROTECTED"**







Bruno Sammartino proudly raised the hand of his friend Pedro after Morales took the W.W.W.F. title from Ivan Koloff, the man who defeated Bruno for the title. Over a year later, Pedro and Bruno met in New York's Shea Stadium in what many consider the greatest title match in wrestling history. The battle lasted one hour 16 minutes and ended in a draw. Pedro retained the title and became a legend.



**Q:** Did the title tire Pedro Morales out? We mean, did that grind of traveling and wrestling five days or more a week hurt you rather than help you?

**A:** No. I think the title helped me. You see, I feel I'm in my prime now. I always wrestle the best I can. I feel I get better with each match. I still want to show the people that I'm the top guy.

**Q:** We've noticed you do not accept many tag team matches. Do you turn these down purposely?

**A:** Well, I don't like tag team matches too much. I do wrestle in them at times, but I prefer single matches. It's not easy finding a good tag team partner. In a tag team you have to be like brothers. You also have to worry about your partner. I like to take care of myself. I don't look for help. If I'm in trouble it's my job to win or lose in a single match. It's different in a tag team battle.

**Q:** Pedro, many wrestling alliances have banned your favorite maneuver, the off the turnbuckle flying body press. So far it's not banned in the east, where you do most of your wrestling. What will you do if it's banned in the East? Or if your travels take you to where it's banned?

**A:** If they ban that, I have many other holds to rely on. I can beat my opponents a number of ways. I proved that. You don't see my matches being won with that hold every time, do you?

**Q:** That's true. Have you ever missed anyone with that leap?

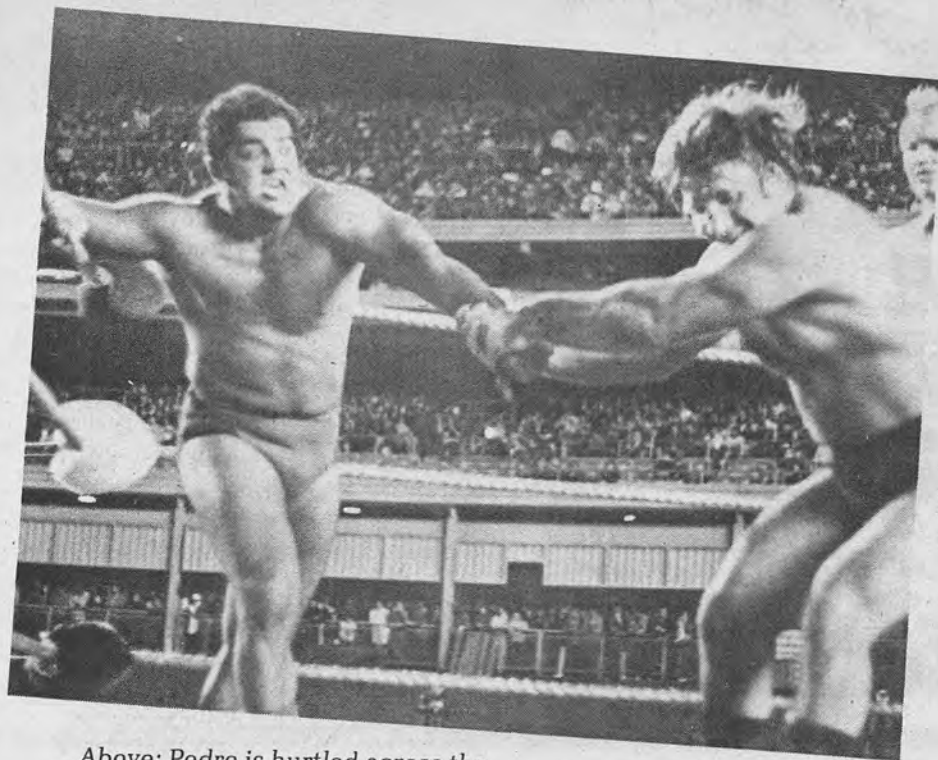
**A:** Yes. I have. And remember, that's 245 pounds flying through the air. If I miss and fall in an awkward position I could cripple myself. I've tried to take precautions to break my fall if I miss. But it doesn't always work. Remember, I don't do the flying body press unless I know the guy is groggy and beaten.

**Q:** Jack Brisco has become more aggressive since winning his title. Did you find you had to be more aggressive and break a rule here and there to keep your title?

**A:** Let me tell you something. Many times I felt like breaking rules. When my opponent fouled me I got mad, baby. If I had to break a rule to keep my title, I did it.

**Q:** Okay. But you don't have the title now. Do you still break rules?

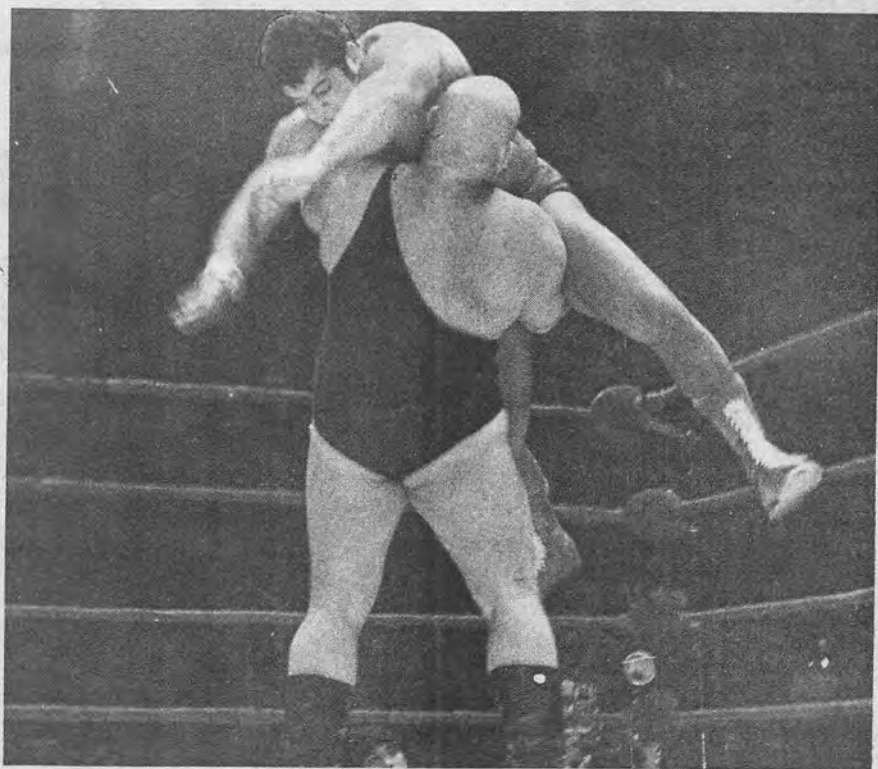
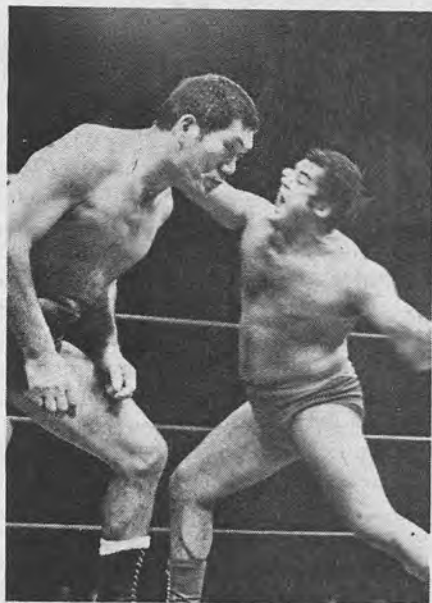
**A:** Well, I'm in a different position now. It's a whole different ballgame. I do try to follow the rules unless my opponent refuses to let me by constant fouling. I can pull hair and eye gouge and everything if it becomes necessary. You've got to beat a rule breaking opponent to the punch before he gets you.



**"IF I HAD TO BREAK  
A RULE TO KEEP  
MY TITLE—I DID"**



*Above: Pedro is hurled across the ring by Bruno. Right: Ivan Koloff hardly suspects Pedro will rally and take his title. Below: Baba the Giant is one of the many great men who failed to wrest Pedro's title.*



**Q:** Does that make Pedro Morales a dirty wrestler?

**A:** No. Because I always let them make the first move. I give them the opportunity to make the match dirty or scientific.

**Q:** Do you feel your fans deserted you to follow Bruno when you lost the title?

**A:** You know, Bruno made a lot of fans when he was champion for eight years. They were beautiful people. And I

made a lot of beautiful fans while I had the title. My fans have stayed with me. Look, I really don't want to answer that. Let me just say that you can hear the reaction of the fans when I step into an arena. That'll answer your question.

**Q:** But suppose you went out of the Eastern states, Pedro. Would you still have backing if you wrestled a local favorite?

**A:** Maybe not. Anything is possible. I

just feel very lucky that I do have fans who love me. I have been all over the world and it seems that everyone knows me. I don't get many boos when I enter an arena. And it's always a welcome sound to hear cheers. To know the people are behind you. Your whole mental attitude is better.

**Q:** Pedro, thanks for sitting on the "Hotseat."

**A:** It was a pleasure, amigo! □





Tony extends his hand toward his partner Dean as the match against the Valiants becomes brutally wild. Tony and Dean are so angry and disgusted with the Valiant Brothers' tactics that the popular team may either leave the area or split up. It is a very hard decision for the great tag team.

**Have the Valiants broken the spirit which made Tony Garea and Dean Ho such a great tag team?**

**A**TOWEL HURTTLED across the dressing room and smacked into a locker. It was soon followed by Tony Garea's foot, its impact crumpling the metal at the bottom.

Behind Tony stood Dean Ho. Dean looked around the room, trying to find something which would be enjoyable to break. As enjoyable to break as Jim Valiant's neck.

After struggling to get a title match against the Valiant Brothers, the two had failed to wrest the title from the champions.



# ARE THE VALIA TONY GA DEAN HO



Tony Garea twists in pain from a nerve hold by Jim Valiant. While the Valiant Brothers hold the W.W.W.F. tag team title by their outrageous tactics, Tony and Dean Ho are faced with some very important questions.

Garea and Ho had done their best. If the rules had even occasionally been enforced, Tony and Dean would have regained the W.W.W.F. tag team championship. As it happened, the Valiants' ability to hide rulebreaking tactics from even the most accomplished referee won the match for the champions.

"Beat your head against the wall!" Tony screamed at Dean. "I'll join you! It'll do as much damn good as trying to beat those two animals!"

"Why bother even doing that?" Dean replied dejectedly as he slumped down heavily on the training table. "We're dupes, suckers the Valiants can say they beat. We can't win if we don't cheat as badly as they do. And we wouldn't want the title if we had to get it by cheating. Damned if we do and damned if we don't. So why bother?"

"Maybe we should try other areas?" Tony asked, and was just as surprised as Dean when he heard

himself say it. But once it was said, Tony continued, "Yeah, maybe we ought to leave! A guy has to be crazy to keep getting beaten by a couple of animals. Let's leave and say to hell with it."

"And if we want to stay in this area," Dean said quietly, "maybe it would be better if we wrestled singly."

This pronouncement was followed by a prolonged silence. Neither man wanted to continue the conversation for fear of what might be said. The two men wished to remain tag team partners, but perhaps fate—and the Valiants—made it impossible.

To break the silence and change the subject, Dean said, "I really thought we had it this time. I don't think we've ever come closer to getting back the belts."

"Yeah," Tony agreed in the same

*Tony strains as he traps John Valiant in an abdominal stretch and expects to win the second and final fall. However, Jim sneaks into the ring and breaks the hold. The referee failed to see the interference. This is one of the reasons Tony and Dean are feeling hopeless!*



# NTS FORCING REA AND TO SPLIT?



hushed tones, "I know what you mean. We won the first fall in half a minute. I didn't think anything could stop us."

The crowd didn't think anything could stop Garea and Ho either. The Valiants seemed stunned as they stood in their corner, one fall down almost before the match started! With the cheers resounding in their ears, Garea and Ho charged out for the second fall. They fully believed it would be the last fall and the championship was theirs.

However, against the Valiant Brothers, nothing is predictable. Their backs against the wall, the blond barbarians battled back in desperation the only way they knew how—low and dirty. No two men on Earth can be expected to defeat the Valiants scientifically when the tag team champions start to brawl.

The second fall seemed to take forever compared to the first, but there was plenty of action. When it



*Dean Ho excitedly awaits the tag from his partner so he can get into the action against the Valiants. Ho and Garea go after an opponent only when they're tagged. The Valiants don't bother with this rule.*

was over, the match was tied.

Then came the third fall, one of the most viciously horrible in wrestling history. No one who saw it will

ever forget what happened, nor will they ever stop despising the Valiants.

John Valiant managed to get Tony  
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# RIOT NIGHT

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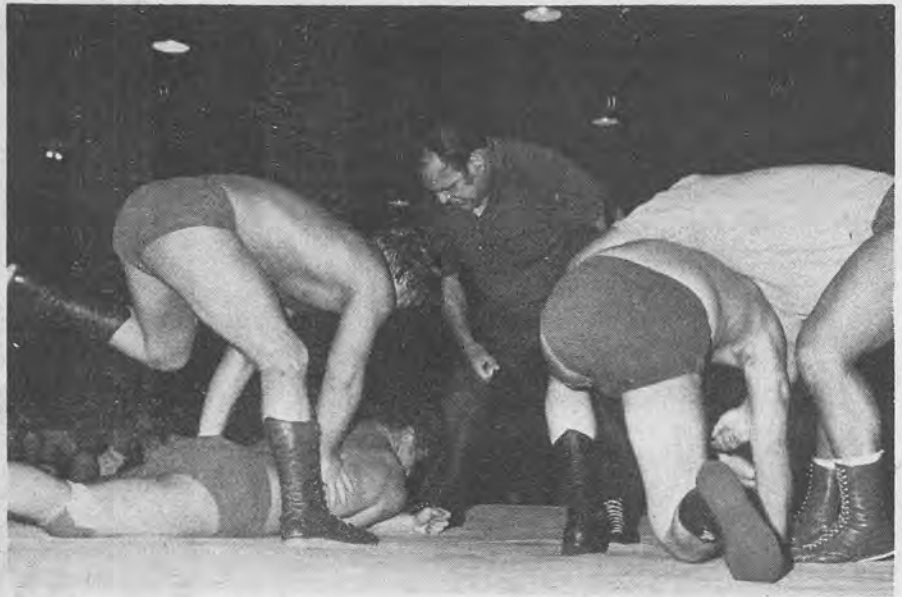
and his colleagues had viewed films of the match and agreed with the referee's statements. The commission pointed out instances where Dillon pursued Funk outside of the ring and continued his obviously illegal tactics on the hard cement floor.

Even when the action returned within the ropes, Dillon's illegal maneuvers were shockingly savage, even by Texas standards. When the arena police reinforcements were called in to quell what had become a riot, the films showed beyond doubt Dillon did everything in his power to prolong the incident.

"Do you have anything to say in your defense?" the commissioner asked Dillon, who had sat through the accusations with a restless silence.

"You people have obviously decided," Dillon replied, "to blame this whole thing on me. I guess I should expect as much in Texas, where a Funk can't do wrong. But I would like to tell my story, just for the record.

"I'll admit it was a pretty dirty match—but on both sides! Funk is no angel by any stretch of the imagination.



Two other wrestlers leap into the ring to help the referee restore order in the match. Both wrestlers later swore that to the best of their knowledge it was Dillon who was responsible for the riotous battle.

Unless it's a Texan's imagination.

"Sure I got a little hot under the collar. Who wouldn't after what Funk did to me? He pulled some of the dirtiest holds I've ever seen. It's just that you people would rather make me the fall guy than admit the truth about your favorite son.

"I've always hated the Funks. I won't miss a chance to beat the hell out of either

one. That's common knowledge. But I'm not responsible for what happened. Why don't you ask the other two wrestlers who were there if I was the one causing the trouble?"

"We did," the commissioner replied, "and they agreed with everyone else!"

"It's a conspiracy!" Dillon charged vehemently, then added with a snarl, "What do you plan to do with me?"

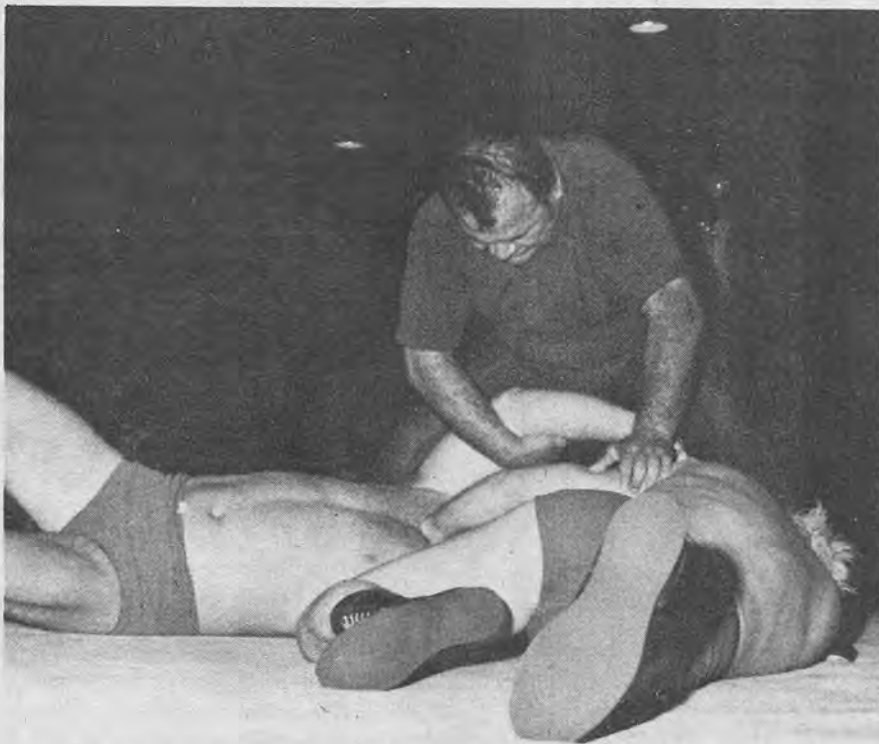
"We planned to place you on a three-month probation," the commissioner declared, "but after this outburst, you are given a six-month probation. If for any reason you appear before this committee again, you will be fined \$1,000 and be given a six-month suspension."

"Won't see you later," Dillon spat at them as he turned and stormed out of the building.

Later, Dillon told a press conference, "A man can't get a break against the Funks in Texas. Terry Funk caused a riot by using illegal and animalistic tactics. One referee was badly injured. And I have cruelly been given the blame for this outrage. I am shocked and horrified such a thing occurred. And I'm angry as hell they say it's all my fault!"

With that, Dillon stomped off and refused to answer questions.

No one who was there or subsequently saw films of the battle could believe anything except that Jim Dillon was responsible for the riotous havoc which occurred that night. And no one doubts that in the near future Jim Dillon will be fined \$1,000 and face a six-month suspension! □



Funk and Dillon are twisted like pretzels as each wrestler goes for the other man's throat. The referee tries to pry the seething, hating grapplers apart. It's a task which few men would envy. Later in the match the referee suffers cuts which would require eight stitches!

# BOBBY HEENAN

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A bleeding Heenan goes to work on an equally bloody Gomez when a referee runs in to separate the two men (above). With courage and determination, the referee works himself between the two men and forces them apart (below). Once separated, the referee shoved Heenan from the dressing room and then summoned the arena doctor to stitch up the two brawlers.



Both Gomez and Heenan gushed torrents of blood as they stained the floor scarlet. Somehow, the referee managed to remain uncut.

Finally, the courageous referee

separated the two men and pulled Bobby out of the dressing room. Heenan lay bleeding in the hallway as the referee quickly locked the door.



Pepper Gomez is covered with blood from wounds suffered during his ugly, savage battle with Bobby Heenan.

Then the referee turned to survey the damage. Hennig and Gomez sat with blood-soaked towels over their wounds. As for the dressing room, it was a shambles. Calmly, the referee fetched the arena doctor only to find Heenan had stepped into his office before him.

At first the referee feared Heenan would attack him. The fight had long since gone from Bobby Heenan, however, and Bobby sat placidly while the doctor stitched him up.

Fifteen stitches later, the doctor walked to the dressing room and went to work on Gomez and Hennig. Even the doctor was shocked to see the total destruction wrought from the brawl.

"Hope I have enough surgical thread," he muttered, "at least until these three leave the arena. Back alleys are better suited for this thing than dressing rooms."

Hennig and Gomez ignored the doctor's sarcasm and quietly waited to be treated. The number of stitches for the evening totaled 56, which the doctor cynically claimed to be a dressing room battle record. Hennig and Gomez failed to cheer their accomplishment.

"I can't believe Heenan," Larry declared angrily, "and I thought I knew him!"

"Nobody knows Bobby Heenan," Gomez added. "And that's just the way I like it!" □



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## THE VALIANTS

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in the Valiant corner and the two brothers began to work him over. Tony struggled vainly to escape, but battering an opponent in their corner is a Valiant specialty. Dean tried to help him, but the referee held him back.

turned, the Valiants intensified their beatings. John cunningly blocked the referee's view of Jim's illegal tactics. No one man could have officiated this match successfully.

And finally, the Valiants won the third fall over Tony's beaten body. Garea regained his senses soon enough to see the Valiants strut from the ring waving the championship belts.

So the defeated pair returned to the dressing room and found themselves considering alternatives which four hours before would have been unthinkable. They discussed the match far into the night, not to discover what went wrong, but to postpone considering leaving the W.W.W.F. area or splitting up.

When Garea and Ho finally left the arena, they hadn't decided what they would do. They went back to their hotel rooms, but neither slept. Both thought about the questions which had to be resolved.

The next day Dean and Tony avoided each other and everyone else. Each man kept asking himself whether or not a partnership of which he was so proud had outlived its usefulness. And if there was any chance of defeating the Valiants. Perhaps the W.W.W.F. tag team championship belonged to the Valiants and their rulebreaking tactics.

A week later Tony telephoned Dean and said slowly, "I don't like to quit. I'm willing to try again to defeat the Valiants. The W.W.W.F. tag team championship was good to me and I'd like to be good to it."

"You've got a partner," Dean replied.

As of now, Tony Garea and Dean Ho are continuing to pursue the Valiant brothers and the W.W.W.F. championship. But how long can two proud athletes continue to "beat your head against the wall?" □

# TARZAN TYLER (Continued from Page 29)



Bravely, Ray's little brother comes to his fallen brother's aid. Tyler sees the youngster and loses all sense of decency as he grabs the boy by the neck and drags him into the ring. As Ray lies on the mat, Tyler goes to work on the brother. Fans were ready to lynch Tyler when they saw this reprehensible maneuver!

horror, Tyler bodyslammed the slight lad into the canvas! The poor boy writhed in agony on the mat, right next to his unconscious brother.

Tarzan quickly sensed the crowd would like nothing better than to lynch him. Fathers stood between Tyler and their sons as Tarzan ran back to the dressing under a barrage of boos.

Raymond and his brother were quickly administered to by the arena's doctor and were able to get back to the dressing rooms without aid.

When Raymond recovered enough to realize what had happened, he swore, "I'll kill Tyler for what he did to my brother! Sooner or later, I'll kill him!"

"And as for you," Raymond said to his brother, "I appreciate what you did and I love you for it. But I can take care of myself. Now I want you to promise me you'll never do it again!"

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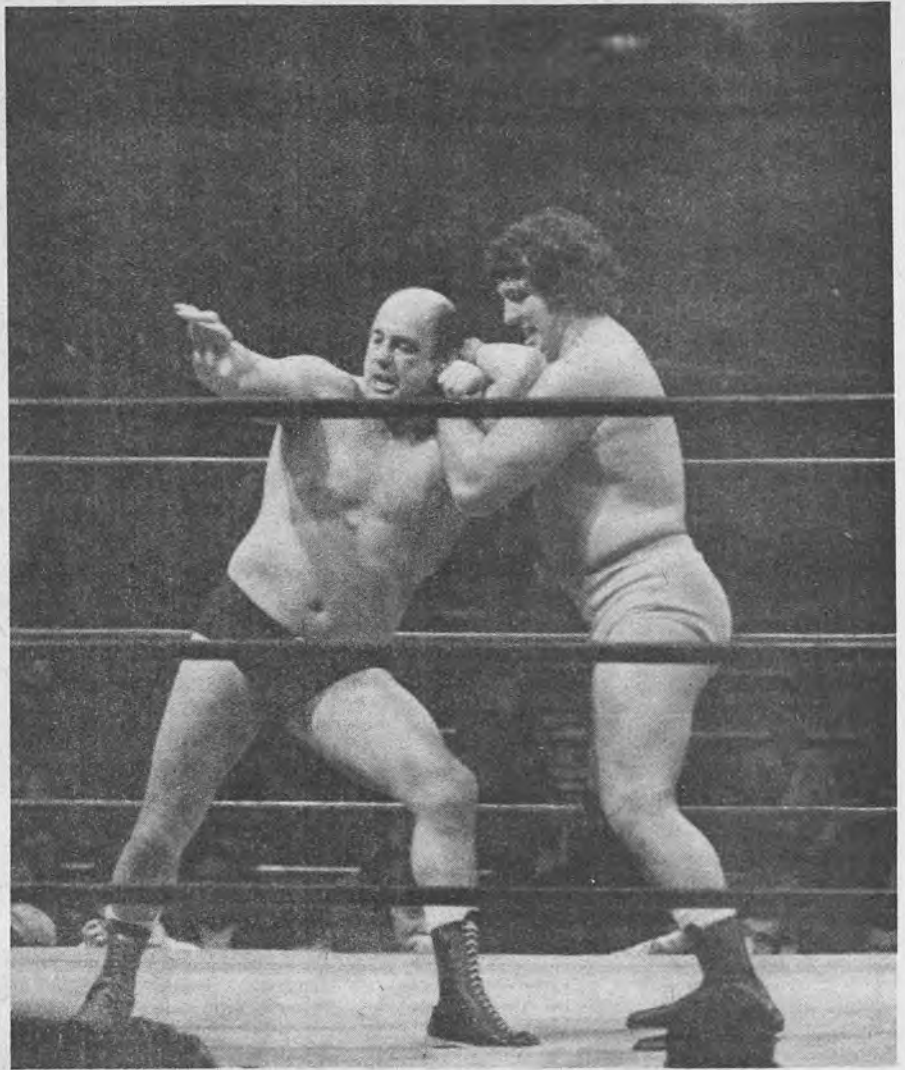


# REALLY THINK

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Above: Billy puts Verne in a crushing headlock while the champion grabs the challenger around the leg to trip Robinson. Right: Caught in a Robinson armbar, Verne tries to get to the ropes. Below: Wherever Billy and Verne wrestle in Japan, the arena becomes a spectacle of pageantry!



are so intertwined, so identified with each other.

"Sure, I get angry when Gagne purposely disqualifies himself to retain the title. I think he's above that, even if he doesn't. Maybe the title means too much to the man. Gagne wouldn't be the first guy who lost sight of what's really important when he gained a championship—and he won't be the last.

"But think of the pressure Verne's been under, defending his title for so many years, so many times. I think his ability to function under that much pressure is the true measure of this man. If resorting to technicalities is the worst thing which can be said about Verne, then that's a great testament to the man's integrity.

"When I win the A.W.A. champ-

ionship I hope my record will be as great as Verne's. He's a great wrestler. Thousands will measure all other champions against his standard. I'll bet anything all the others won't come close to his accomplishments."

Verne, in an equally luxurious suite, made similar statements about the man many believe will eventually make Gagne an ex-champion.

"I believe Billy could be N.W.A. champion or W.W.W.F. champion," Verne declared, "any time he wanted it. I'm flattered, of course, that Robinson feels I'm the man to beat to prove his ability. A man is measured by the quality of his opponents. Billy's the best.

"Naturally, I don't think Robinson will take my title. I couldn't be champion if I thought anyone could beat me. Yet, it would be no shame to lose to Billy Robinson.



Billy struggles to free himself from Verne's sleeper hold, one of Verne's justifiably famous, effective holds.

"On nights when he's at his best, it's a pleasure to wrestle him. It also becomes necessary to do anything in my power to protect my title. Anyone who doesn't use all the options legally open to him is a fool. It takes brains as well as brawn to retain a title against a man like Billy Robinson.

"I think wrestling's future will be very dependent on Billy. In the decade of the seventies and perhaps the eighties, Billy's name will mean a quality of wrestling found in few other places. Robinson will be one of those superstars parents will take their children to see because they want them to see one of the greats.

"I plan to retire as A.W.A champion. I wouldn't be ashamed, though, to retire as the man beaten by Billy Robinson."

That night, the two men grappled in a style so scientifically ferocious that Japanese fans were on their feet at the bout's conclusion. Once again Robinson failed to wrest the title from Verne. Once again it was a match which no one present will ever be able to forget.

The Gagne vs. Robinson bouts will go down in wrestling history as possibly the most astonishingly magnificent series ever. Perhaps this is made possible by the talents which these men possess in abundance. It may also be due to their mutual respect. □

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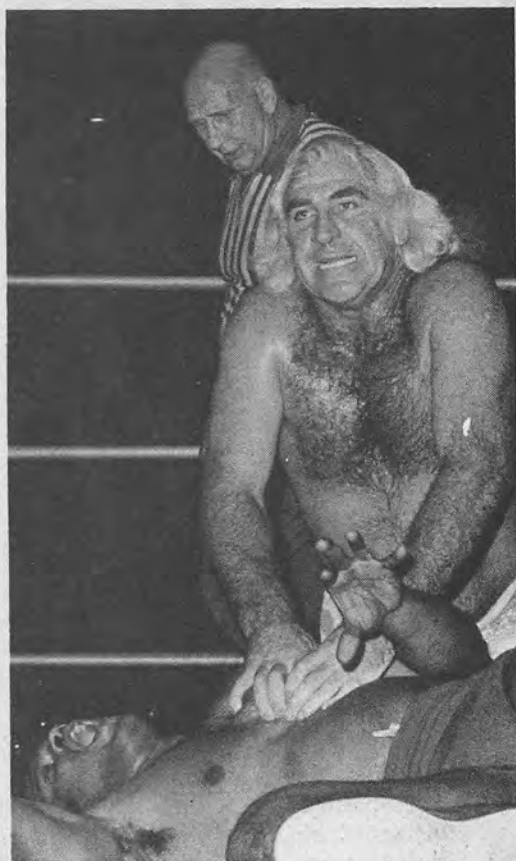
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# "HOLLYWOOD BLONDS"

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Both Hollywood Blonds are expert at the clawhold. During the match, it is Victor's misfortune to be the victim of both Brown (above) and Roberts. Only his courage saved him!



Above: Jerry Brown mercilessly twists Rivera's head as Victor is dragged across the mat. Left: Brown ensnares Dino in an excruciating double armlock. Dino strains with all his strength to escape. The double armlock has broken collarbones on many wrestlers.



history," Humberdink went on, "with only one exception. I do not believe I have to tell you louts who the exception is."

Sir Oliver was asked how the Blonds would do against Rivera and Bravo.

"As I said, Rivera and Bravo are great. Two of the finest conditioned athletes in the world. It should take the Hollywood Blonds all of three or four minutes to defeat them."

The match would be held in Los

Angeles' spacious Olympic Auditorium. All tickets were gone well before bout time. The fans hoped the end of the Hollywood Blonds was near.

In his dressing room prior to the match, Victor Rivera was philosophical.

"Dino and I know what we are getting into. We are ready!"

And it's a good thing they were! As soon as the bell rang, Jerry Brown let loose a kick at Dino Bravo's groin. Dino was now effectively weakened



After subjecting Rivera to the cruel clawhold, Roberts stomps his foot down hard onto Victor's sore chest.

for the rest of the first fall. The Blonds took the stanza as Brown pinned the dazed Bravo.

The rest between falls seemed to recharge Dino. He came out smoking in the second. And Jerry Brown paid for his earlier cruelty.

The Hollywood Blonds were now in trouble. Rivera and Bravo proved too quick and strong for them in the second fall. When Dino caught Buddy Roberts in an airplane spin, the tying of the match was just three seconds away.

The third fall raged on seemingly forever. Neither team was able to gain a lasting advantage. When the curfew bell sounded, it found four very tired and bruised wrestlers.

"Did you see what Mr. Roberts and Mr. Brown did tonight?" said Sir Oliver. "We are the best. We have beaten Rivera and Bravo."

When it was pointed out to Humperdink the match was declared a draw, he sneered, "In one more minute we would have finished them. My men miscalculated. They thought they had 60 more seconds. Obviously the timekeeper gets his checks from Rivera and Bravo."

When Victor and Dino were informed of Sir Oliver's statement, Rivera only laughed.

"Tell him we will meet them again. And next time Dino and I will be just as rough as they are. And, my friends, it will be the end of those animals. I love this sport too much to let beasts like them ruin it." □

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# EXPLODED!

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Eddie grabs Hart's coat and twists the manager down (above). It's open season on Gary and Graham intends to take full advantage. Mike is more interested in battering Dick Slater on the turnbuckle (below).

"Can we see the checks?" the interviewer naturally asked.

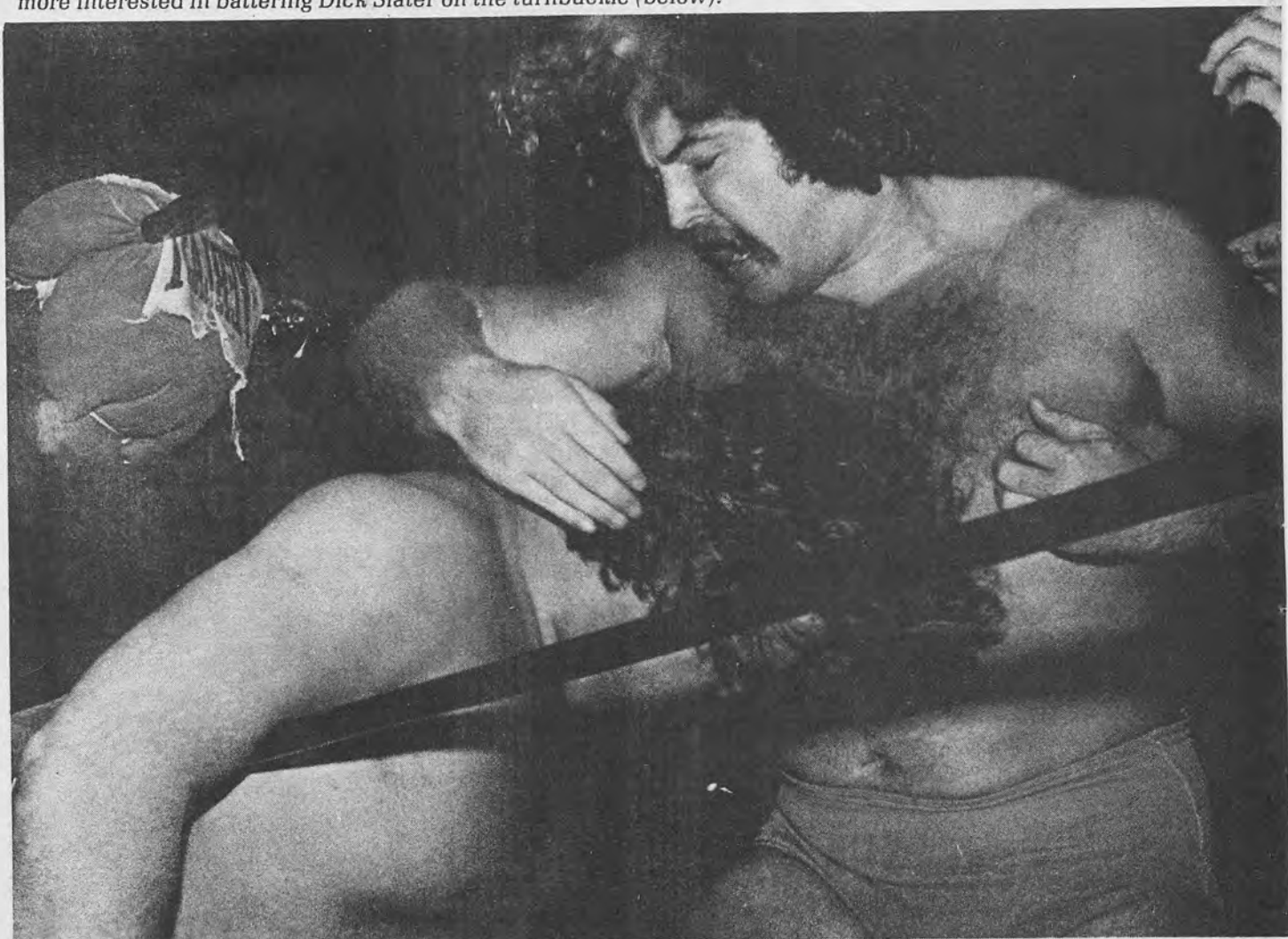
"I'm bored," Hart said suddenly. "I'm leaving." He walked quickly from the studio.

When the Grahams heard Hart's accusation, both father and son broke out laughing. So did every other person who had petitioned the commission to declare open season on Hart.

For a week afterward, wrestlers would call up jokingly to ask the Grahams when the payments were due. Once he saw the reaction, Hart never repeated the accusation again.

On the night of the match, Mike and Eddie Graham were quiet and reflective. They had trained hard and well. Their strategies had become almost instinct to them. They were ready.

Father and son had decided weeks ago to wait for Hart to interfere in the match. They would then



force Hart to submit, demonstrating beyond doubt how openly he meddles in a match.

With open season, Hart would be responsible for his team losing, as Gary would be considered another wrestler. Ideally, the match would end with Hart pinned to the canvas.

In the other dressing room, Tanaka and Slater listened carefully to Hart's instructions. No one could overhear what was said. Others in the dressing room only saw the three men huddled together, talking feverishly.

When the three finally entered the arena, the Grahams were standing in the opposite corner, waiting. Tanaka and Slater climbed over the ropes while Hart took his customary position at the ring apron. The crowd sat in restless quiet, anxious for this much heralded battle to begin.

The bell had hardly sounded be-

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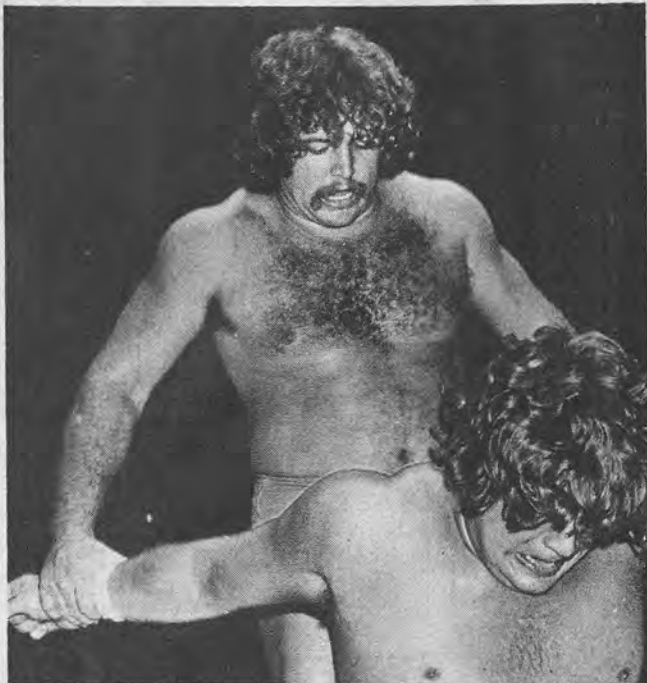
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# EXPLODED!

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Mike Graham has Dick Slater in paralyzing agony in the crucifix hold (above), causing Hart to leap into the ring. After freeing Slater, Hart pushes Mike to the ropes and begins to pound away at the younger Graham's mid-section (below). Open season on Hart had begun!



fore Mike Graham and Dick Slater were locked in combat. The two men battered each other, exchanging locks and flips with terrifying rapidity. When Mike found himself slammed into his own corner, his father commanded him to tag and let the veteran have a go at it.

Eddie, raging, tore into Slater. Preventing Dick from tagging, Eddie forced the action until Slater was hopelessly trapped in a brutal Boston crab. Slater's screams of agony were stopped when Tanaka felled Eddie with a judo chop.

The elder Graham sank to the

canvas, freeing Slater. Mike leaped into the battle and took over where his father left off, allowing Eddie to struggle back to his corner. Now it was Mike's turn to rage.

When Eddie regained his strength, he discovered a present waiting for him in the corner. Mike had slammed Tanaka against the turnbuckle. Eddie grabbed the Japanese star from behind. He taught him why it's not a good idea to anger a Graham.

Hart saw his two wrestlers being beaten and leaped into the ring. Fists flying, the unscrupulous



Above: Eddie Graham collars Hart and drags the despised manager across the ring. Hart is helpless to stop the Graham rampage. Below: Dick Slater helps his beaten and bruised manager back to the dressing room, leaving Toru alone against the still outraged and raging Graham team.



manager attacked Mike Graham. Slater leaped to Tanaka's aid. The free-for-all was on.

The referee scurried from battle to battle, but didn't have a chance of maintaining order. The combatants kept changing with dizzying speed, everyone smashing the closest person. The look on Hart's face betrayed his shock at being in a battle instead of a massacre.

Slowly but surely, the Grahams managed to better the trio despite the odds. It was as if something inside had exploded in them. They could not be bested.

First the pair savaged Hart. Forgotten were plans to force the manager's submission. Eddie, with a shout of victory, lifted Hart high over his head and hurled the hapless "playboy" to the hard cement below. Mike soon forced Slater to join his manager. This left only Tanaka and the Grahams.

The professor attempted to flee. Eddie was too quick for him. He



Dick Slater fails to flatten Mike with a flying body press (above) but comes right back with another attempt which is successful (below). Mike crashes to the canvas from the force!



caught the Japanese grappler and held him while Mike punished Tanaka mercilessly. Eventually, the referee forced the Grahams to release their prisoner and let him join his fellows in flight.

As the crowd cheered wildly, the conquering Grahams stood proudly, watching their opponents limp back to the dressing room. They had taught Gary Hart that open season would be a long, hard time. □


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## VALENTINE (Continued from Page 33)



Above: Valentine waits with another man who used to be his partner but now hates Johnny, Bearcat Wright.

Below: Though the referee tries to stop him, Johnny smashes Paul Jones.



than the loudest screams.

"First off," Valentine contends, "They don't hate me as much as fear me. Someone who isn't a professional athlete doesn't know what it does to an athlete's insides to know someone is convincingly better than he. I'm convincingly better than anyone who hates me. And I prove it every time I wrestle him."

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# WAHOO & STRONGBOW:

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team," Wahoo states, "and I'd like to please the fans. If it was any other guy in the world, I'd sign the contract instantly. If you think it's easy passing up a small fortune for a night's work, think again.

"However, more important than money is my friendship with Jay. No man in or out of wrestling is as close to me as Jay. Between us, no secrets exist. I'd trust that man with my life.

"How many friends can a man have like that? I have only one. All the money in the world couldn't replace it. I'd be crazy to risk this for some money.

"Both Jay and I have pretty short tempers. It seems like the best way to end a friendship is for two wrestlers to become tag team partners. Sooner or later, in the heat of battle, something happens. The teammates are at each other's throats.

Even if they apologize to each other later, the incident can never be forgotten. The list of former friends Jay and I have had who became enemies after a tag team match argument is staggering. I can't risk that with Jay.

"It wouldn't end our friendship," Wahoo concludes, "but the incident would always stand between us. I could never completely trust Jay again. You can always get money. A friend is more important than any purse, title, or even any fan. I'll leave wrestling before I team with Jay."

Those awed by Wahoo's strong sentiments are equally astonished when they talk to Strongbow. It's obvious the two men have talked long hours about this situation and are equally committed to never being tag team partners. Jay realizes how unique and strange this situation seems, especially for professionals.

"At times," Jay admits, "when I think of how many thousands of wrestlers would kill their best friend for the money Wahoo and I have been offered to team, I've got to laugh. Here's all this money, close to the top money ever offer-

ed any tag team, and we continually refuse to accept.

"Now they expect it, but at first promoters would go out of their minds with shock when we'd turn down these offers. We're the guys who refused the offer we couldn't refuse!

"We're both lucky to be in a position where money isn't a major consideration. Wahoo and I can afford not to team, thanks to the fans who'll pay to see us wrestle separately or with other partners. But even if we couldn't get work except as a team, I sincerely believe neither of us would consider doing it.

"Of course," Jay realizes, "you never know what happens until the time comes. I can't imagine where I'd have to make this choice. I hope I never do."

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Thousands of others do agree with this request. Wahoo and Jay can often be seen together. The only place both men won't be seen together is in a ring.

Wahoo and Jay are probably the only two men in wrestling who like each other too much to become tag team partners. For some men, Wahoo and Jay among them, friendship is more important than anything else. Perhaps this makes the pair two of the smartest men in wrestling. □

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# TEST YOURSELF (Continued from Page 23)

cially weight exercises—designed to build up certain parts of the body. We're not concerned with that. Muscles will come in time. The first thing to do is get in shape.

The most important thing to remember about getting in shape is that if you're going to do it—do it right. That means three things.

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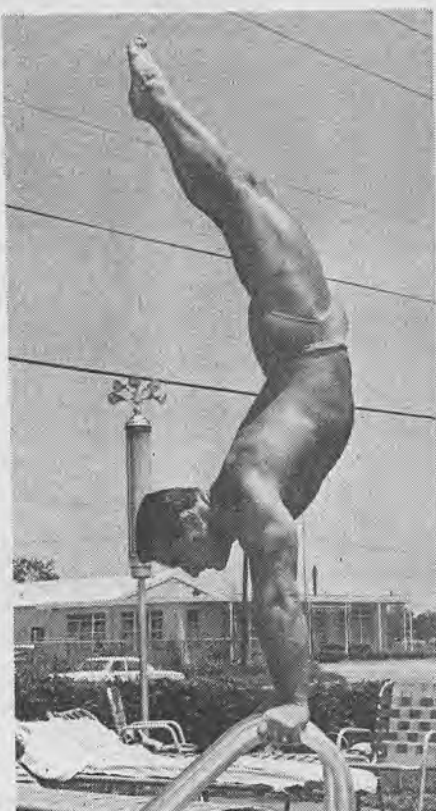
Two. Don't try to do everything at once. If you can't do 25 pushups—begin with five. Then after awhile work your way up to seven...then 10. If you do not exercise regularly it is especially important you don't set up a program that's too strenuous.

Three. Have your family doctor, a physical education instructor or some other such qualified person draw up a training program tailored specifically for you. Remember, what may be a good program for one person might be harmful for another.

Even if you don't want to become a wrestler—you should want to be in good shape. The reasons are obvious. If you feel better you'll have more confidence. You'll look better. Your performance in school or at your job will improve. It's a proven fact that people in good physical condition enjoy themselves more and live better and fuller lives than out of shape people.

To find out whether or not you're in shape take this simple test. You'll find the answers at the end. Answer each question "Yes" or "No."

1. Do I smoke?
2. Am I within 10 pounds of my suggested weight?
3. Do I walk at least one mile a day?
4. Can I run a mile in six minutes or less?
5. Do I get winded after climbing a flight of stairs?
6. Do I drive when I could walk instead?
7. Can I do 25 pushups?
8. Can I do 10 chins?
9. Can I do 30 situps?
10. Can I touch my toes without bending my knees?
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12. Can I lift my own weight?
13. Do I engage in some sort of athletic activity at least twice a week?



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14. Have I had a physical examination in the past year?

15. Do I eat a balanced diet?

16. If attacked, could I defend myself or run away in time?

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**WRESTLING CAPITALS**

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Above: Lord Al Hays captures Dory Funk Jr. in a flying headscissors but fails to capitalize on the advantage, allowing Dory to win the wild match. Below: Pat O'Connor continues to be one of the greats in the sport's history. Moose Cholak is another wrestler whom Pat's defeated.



**CALIFORNIA REPORT**

By Larry Barnhizer

Dino Bravo and Mando Lopez had their hands full with the newly formed team of John Tolos and Greg Valentine.

It looked like Dino and Mando were going to be able to hold their own until disaster struck midway in the first fall. Mando was dragged into the corner and doubleteamed. Then Valentine gave him a head bustin' piledriver.

Mando was then thrown out of the ring where Greg again piledrived him—this time on the hard cement floor! Mando's head was busted open. Bravo raced to help his partner who by now was counted out.

Mando was taken from the arena on a stretcher, but not before Valentine and Tolos did more damage by savagely kneedropping him. Finally, Edouard Carpentier, who was watching the match at ringside, became so enraged he tried to get into the ring.

"Stay back!" Bravo yelled. "I'll handle them myself! I don't want my team to lose!"

Ed listened to Dino only momentarily. For as soon as the bell rang for the second fall, Tolos and Valentine were all over Dino fouling him. Ed blew his cool, tore off his jacket and started after Valentine and Tolos. They didn't waste any time retreating to the dressing room.

Dino's team was disqualified in the second fall for Ed's interference.

"But he saved my life," Dino said. "No hard feelings!"

He battered Hayes and topped him in tests of strength. But Hays took the advantage. He showed the Missouri champion he had a real good challenger on his hands. Dory settled things by punching Hays, sending him flying over the top rope.

The rest of the match was all Funk's. He retained his title with a front rolling cradle.

The battle royal had 16 participants. After a hard struggle, only Bill Miller, Roger Kirby and Bruiser remained.

Miller and Kirby decided to team to eliminate Bruiser. Bill grabbed Bruiser and locked him in a full nelson. Kirby then tried to dropkick Bruiser. But Bruiser ducked and Miller got it—and went over the rope! Bruiser eliminated Kirby and won the grand prize of \$9,600 and a crack at champion Jack Brisco on a future card!

In other matches: Pat O'Connor knocked off Moose Cholak . . . Sailor Thomas stopped Joe Blanchard . . . Eddie Graham downed Huto Babich.

# SINCERELY YOURS (Continued from Page 12)



Jack Brisco cries after retaining his title (above), proving his true integrity. Did Bockwinkle and Stevens (below) disgrace the title?



to take their own medicine, the same medicine which deprived many wrestlers from gaining their belts? What they said after the match against Crusher and Billy Robinson ranks along with the most cowardly statements ever printed!

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It never seemed strange to me that wrestlers couldn't remain teammates. I think in your excellent article, "Why Tag Team Partners Turn Against Each Other" (INSIDE WRESTLING/January 1975), you left out one important explanation as to why tag team partners always wind up hating each other—wrestlers aren't "team players!"

Wrestling in its original form pitted one man against another. It attracts men who don't have the ability to submerge their talents for the good of the team. You can't expect them to be able to adapt to a team situation for any length of time.

Again, congratulations for a brilliant article which pointed up a problem which is given too little attention.

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